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## Sorority rush results in emotional week

By Meghan Duda  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

After a week of emotion and difficult decisions, girls' rush has come to an end.

The week of formal rush concluded after five nights of parties where potential members met and socialized with each sorority.

After each night, girls were asked back to the next evening's parties by interested sororities. Each night the rushees eliminated one party. Throughout the week, these parties got longer, more formal and more emotional.

Rushees may decline invitations, meaning they are no longer interested in that sorority. Or they can decline invitations with interest, which means they are still interested in that particular sorority but because of the elimination process, can not attend.

On the last night, the girls were faced with making their final decision by signing a card with their top choices. Sororities also made their choices of who they would like to pick up. The Panhellenic Council then matched the sorority choices with the girl's choices. The

week concluded on Saturday when the girls are announced one-by-one and told which sorority has picked them up.

"I wish more girls would have went through [rush]," former Kappa Delta president Julie Elicker said. "But for the amount of girls, a lot were picked up."

According to Camille Hawthorne, administrative advisor for Panhellenic Council, the percentages from last year to this year were very close.

"The initial number was down because women enrollment was up," Hawthorne said, "but the percentages were very close. I still wish more women would have been involved."

One hundred fifteen girls initially signed up for rush and by the end of the week 85 were left. Out of that, 76 were picked up on Saturday.

"I had a lot of fun meeting so many upperclassmen (girls)," freshman Courtney Hamilton said. "It was very emotional and by the end of the week I was crying in a good way."



Photo by Courtney Behm

A group of ZTAs celebrate before picking up their new pledges.

## Gesacion/King break records against Grove City

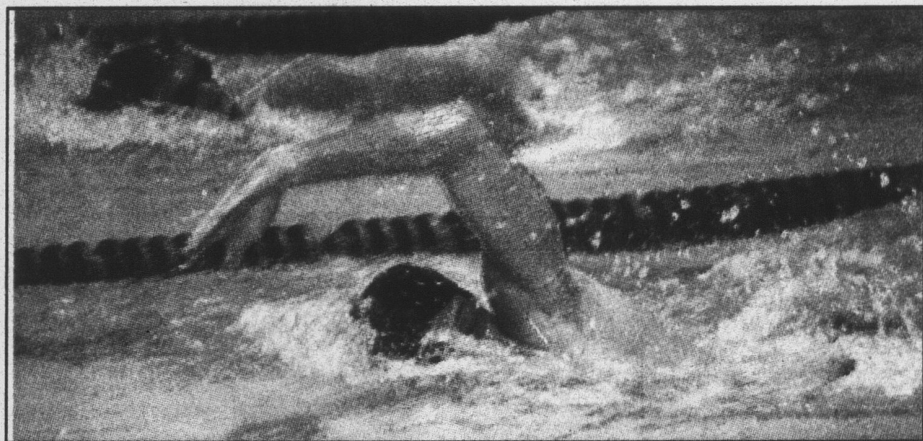


Photo by Courtney Behm

Dave Gesacion swims his way to a new school record in the 1000 freestyle against Grove City.

Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

The men's and women's swimming teams each saw their dual meet records drop to 5-1 on the season in Ashland, Ohio, as the Titans and Lady Titans were swept by GLIAC rival Ashland University in a pair of dual meets. The Titan men were defeated by the Eagles 119-86, while the Lady Titans suffered a heartbreaking 103-102 loss to their Ashland counterparts.

On the men's side, senior David Gesacion and freshman Jim Mann each managed a pair of individual wins at the meet. Gesacion captured the 200 freestyle in 1:45.95 and the 200 butterfly in 2:00.22, while Mann won both the 50 freestyle (:22.27) and the 200 backstroke (1:59.93).

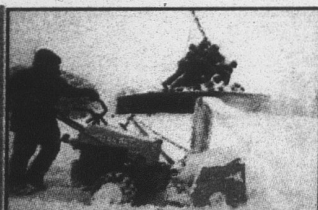
The Lady Titans were led by sophomore Jaime Sell, who captured both the 200 freestyle (1:58.70) and 500 freestyle (5:19.28) events. Other individual race winners for Westminster included sophomore Gretchen Burwinkel in the 1000 freestyle (11:16.38), sophomore Stephanie Dawson in the 50 freestyle (:26.16) and freshman Stefanie King in the 200 breaststroke (2:26.43). The Lady Titans were also victorious in one women's relay event, as the team of King, Dawson, junior Tara Crawford and junior Tina Proudfoot captured the 400 medley relay in 4:11.62.

"I think the meet against Ashland went fairly well. We knew that it would be tough to beat them," Sell said. "Although we lost, I think we all pulled together as a team to make

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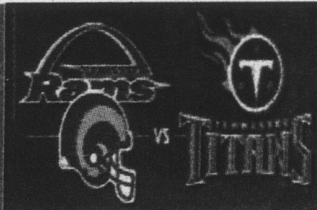
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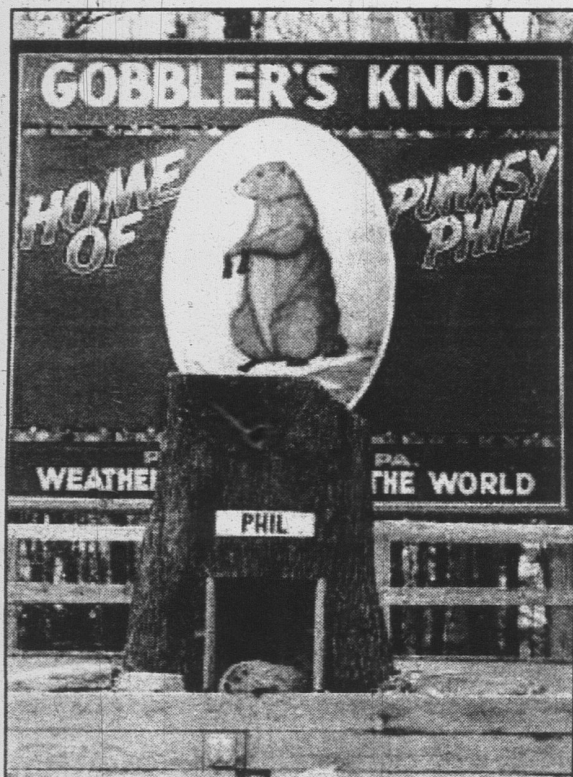
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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Groundhog Day sparks more than local interest



AP Photo File  
Punxsatawney Phil is an international celebrity.

By Brad Dell  
MANAGING EDITOR

Groundhog Day, the infamous Feb. 2nd holiday, is more than just some silly Pennsylvanian hoopla. Rather it's a day rich in centuries of history, tradition and folklore.

According to the official Punxsatawney Groundhog Day website ([www.grounhog.org](http://www.grounhog.org)), the groundhog tradition originates from similar beliefs associated with Candlemas Day and days of the early Christians in Europe. For many centuries, the custom called for clergyman to bless candles and distribute them among the people. This event marked a landmark in the winter, and the weather that day was important.

Romans, during their conquest of the northern country, brought this custom to Germans. The Germans altered the custom slightly, concluding that if the sun made an appearance on Candlemas Day, an animal, the hedgehog, would cast a shadow, thus predict-

ing six more weeks of bad weather, which they compared to the length of the "Second Winter."

Pennsylvania's earliest settlers were Germans. They determined that groundhogs existed plentifully in the state and resembled the European hedgehog. Therefore, if the sun did appear on February 2nd, so wise an animal as the groundhog would see its shadow and hurry back into its underground home for another six weeks of winter.

According to the website, in recent years, Punxsatawney Phil has received a great deal of fame and recognition. Next Wednesday's celebration will include tens of thousands of visitors from all over the world awaiting Phil's appearance.

The Punxsatawney Spirit newspaper is credited with printing the news of the first observance in 1886. The lead read, "Today is groundhog day, and up to the time of going to press the beast has not seen his shadow."

The website lists some noteworthy highlights of Phil's appearances.

-During Prohibition, Phil threatened to impose 60 weeks of winter on the community if he wasn't allowed a drink.

-In 1958, Phil announced that it was a "United States Chucknik," rather than a Soviet Sputnik or Muttik that became the first man-made satellite to orbit Earth.

-In 1981, Phil wore a yellow ribbon in honor of the American hostages in Iran.

-Phil met Pennsylvania Governor Dick Thornburg in 1987, the same year he met with President Reagan in the Oval Office.

-In 1993, Columbia Pictures released the movie Groundhog Day starring Bill Murray.

-Phil appeared on the Oprah Winfrey show in 1995.

Groundhog Day 2000 festivities have already begun, with countless picnics, art shows, flea markets, sleigh rides, golf tournaments and lots of fun. The main event, Phil's appearance, is scheduled for next Wednesday morning, with gates opening at 3 a.m.

## Third annual Etiquette Dinner hopes to attract many seniors

By Katie Brentzel  
NEWS EDITOR

The third annual Etiquette Dinner, organized by the Career Center, will be held from 5:30-7:30 p.m. February 24 in Russell Dining Hall. The dinner focuses on two aspects of business etiquette.

The first part will concentrate on dining in a professional setting. Students will receive tips on what to order, rules pertaining to place settings, and proper behavior, whether it is a meeting among coworkers or a lunch or dinner interview.

The second part of the series, Dressing for Success, will follow dinner. This segment will review what is appropriate to wear for profes-

sional business and casual business attire. Students will demonstrate suitable clothing combinations for various professional settings in a fashion show. Several stores in the Prime Outlets in Grove City have agreed to supply the clothes.

Ellen Allston, a 1985 graduate and Human Resources Manager of ANSOFT Corporation, will conduct each session.

"We are hoping many seniors will attend," said Jackie Meade, director of the Career Center, "but this event will be a valuable learning that will help any student adapt to life in the workplace."

The etiquette dinner, sponsored by SGA, is open for all students to attend. It is free, but students must pick up their tickets in the Career Center starting February 7.

## PCMEA sponsors Variety Show

Westminster College will host its Third Annual Variety Show next Saturday at 7 p.m. Friday in Orr Auditorium.

This adult variety show, sponsored by the collegiate chapter of the Pennsylvania Collegiate Music Educators Association (PCMEA), will feature acts from a barber-shop quartet to stand-up comedians. The entertainment includes pop soloists, four-handed piano music, dance, and several live bands. All entertainers are students at

Westminster College.

This event is open to the public. Tickets for this fund-raiser are available at

the door the night of the show and cost \$3 for the public and \$2 with Titan cards. Concessions will also be available before and after the program.

For more information, contact David J. Zaccari, vice president of the PCMEA at EXT. 6861.

## Alpha Gamma Delta Loves Their New Baby Squirrels!

Katie Budicak  
Megan Clark  
Megan Elias  
Teale Ganster  
Jodi Grisset  
Kacie Higgins  
Amanda Kengersky  
Ashley Kenney  
Alyssa Leavy

Candy Ludkiewicz  
Jaime Lynn  
Anne Muir  
Romney O'Shane  
Carolee Reed  
Megan Roussos  
Kelly Schmidt  
Ashley Tonks  
Leanne Walley



## Two Westminster teams place in top five at Business Challenge

Two college teams placed in the top five of the Pennsylvania 2000 Business Plan challenge sponsored by the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accounts (PICPA).

The PICPA Business Plan Challenge asks a team of three to five Pennsylvania college students to write a business plan for an organization in need of accounting, finance and marketing services. A panel of CPA judges then selects the top five out of 30 teams

entered to advance on to the Phase II Final Competition Feb. 19 at the PICPC headquarters in Philadelphia, which requires presenting a solution before the panel. All

five teams who advance will receive cash prizes, and the top prize for this year is \$1,500.

Westminster team one unites the talents of Jeffrey Karns, David Petko, and Kelly Sloan; and team two combines the skills of Kimberly Barrett, Carrie Helsel, and Michele Pasqualino.



# THE WEEK IN REVIEW

## REGIONAL

### IUP student killed in car crash en route to spring registration

By Tom Gibb  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

EBENSBURG — Three suburban Philadelphia residents, including at least one Indiana University of Pennsylvania student, were killed yesterday when the driver of the minivan in which they were riding pulled into the path of a tractor-trailer at a perilous highway intersection.

Another IUP student was critically hurt in the 1:34 p.m. accident and was in the intensive care unit at Memorial Medical Center in Johnstown last night.

Authorities only were able to confirm the identity of one of the three dead.

That person was Tenesha Harris, an IUP student who was returning to campus for the spring semester.

Also killed in the crash were a male and a female whose identities were not available last night.

Chenida Oliver, 19, also an IUP student, was in critical condition at the Johnstown hospital.

The tractor-trailer driver, whose name was

not released by authorities, was not hurt.

The minivan was traveling north on Route 219 when it pulled from a stop sign onto Route 422 west, about a mile west of Ebensburg, Cambria County.

The driver of the tractor-trailer, who was traveling east, collided with the driver's side of the van.

"It's a bad place, a real bad intersection and it's nothing for drivers to pull out in front of other vehicles there," said Gregory Sloan, chief of the Revloc Volunteer Fire Department.

Sloan said his department frequently responds to accidents at that intersection.

IUP spokeswoman Michelle Fryling said that she did not know whether the other two victims were IUP students, but she said the group apparently had been headed to the campus for spring registration today. Classes begin tomorrow.

According to Sloan, six other people in another vehicle suffered minor injuries a short time later when their car was hit from behind as they stopped to look at the accident.

### Four Clarion County Amish children die in house fire Cause of fire points to a kerosene lamp

By Bill Heltzel  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

A kerosene lamp probably started the fire that killed four Amish children Thursday morning in Clarion County, state police said.

The lamp was the only heat source in the bedroom where the fire started, according to Trooper Carl Medsger, and it was in the end of the room that had the most damage.

The house had no electricity and was heated by a wood-burning stove in a living room-bedroom.

Medsger doesn't know how the fire started, but he said the lamp could have come into contact with drapes. "I can't say if it broke or caught something on fire," he said.

The fire destroyed the wood-frame house on Shelter Road in Washington Township.

All four children of Levi and Anna Mast died of smoke inhalation, including boys

Mosie, 5 and Alvin, 3, and girls Martha, 2, and Manda, 1.

Levi Mast had left the house at 5 a.m. to milk and feed the cows in a nearby barn. Anna Mast joined him a short time later. Shortly after 7 p.m., she left to prepare breakfast and discovered the fire.

Medsger said the Masts were driven back by intense heat and flames when they tried to rescue their children. No flames were apparent, he said, because the fire was starved for oxygen. When they tried to get inside, fresh oxygen fueled the fire.

It was already too late to save the children. Even if firefighters equipped with breathing apparatus were on scene, Medsger said, the children had already succumbed to the smoke.

Firefighters were delayed because the Masts had to get to another Amish home to send someone to a pay telephone to summon help.

### Carnegie Mellon robot discovers meteorite without human help

By Byron Spice  
SCIENCE EDITOR, POST-GAZETTE

A robot took its first step toward becoming a true scientist this weekend as Carnegie Mellon University's Nomad robot discovered a 2-inch-long meteorite at the Antarctic rock deposit known as Elephant Moraine.

The meteorite itself is pretty ordinary - it's a type called a chondrite that includes about 90 percent of all meteorites found on Earth. But the manner of its discovery is unique. No other meteorite has been discovered by a

robot operating without human guidance.

Achieving this goal is the culmination of three years of work at Carnegie Mellon's Robotics Institute.

"I don't think we've really realized what we've done yet," said Dimi Apostolopoulos, director of the NASA-sponsored project. "Everybody is elated by this."

For the mission's backers at NASA, who are rejiggering Mars exploration plans in light of last year's loss of the Mars Polar Lander, the feat shows that it will be possible to use onboard intelligence to make some scientific decisions in future missions. And NASA and

the National Science Foundation may seriously consider building a true "meteorobot" that could increase the number of meteorites gathered each year in Antarctica.

"This is a big deal," said David Lavery, NASA's program executive for solar system exploration.

Every robotic planetary exploration mission to date, including 1997's Mars Pathfinder rover, has relied on scientists on Earth to make decisions about where to point cameras or which rocks to study. Nomad's success shows robots can help make these decisions, thus increasing the efficiency of explorations.

Nomad made the discovery Friday during its first full test on the Antarctic ice.

The four-wheeled robot, somewhere in size between a golf cart and a subcompact car, drove itself through an area of the moraine where the rocks are relatively sparse, with about one rock every five to 10 yards. When its cameras detected a rock, Nomad took a high-resolution video image, then extended a robotic arm attached to the front of the vehicle. An instrument on the end of the arm then performed a spectroscopic analysis of the rock, studying the color spectrum of reflected light.

### PNC Park ready to be transformed from pieces of steel to actual stadium

By Robert Dvorchak  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

A day's barge ride away from its final destination, the skeleton of the Pirates ballpark can be found inside a fabricating shop longer than three football fields.

About 6,000 tons of raw steel is being transformed into columns, beams, ramps and ornamental finery at Wilhelm and Kruse Inc.'s fabricating plant in Brownsville, Fayette County.

The process of assembling the pieces begins tomorrow, when steel for the administrative offices arrives by truck at PNC Park.

The steel for the ballpark superstructure, beginning with assemblies for the rotunda behind home plate, begins arriving by barge the week of Feb. 7.

A transformation also takes place this week at the construction site for the Steelers stadium.

Three giant cranes, each capable of lifting 150 tons at a time, arrive in preparation for steel delivery.

Structural steel is scheduled to arrive by truck Jan. 31 from Hirschfeld Steel Co.'s fabricating plants in Virginia and Texas. About 12,000 tons of steel will go onto the site, which from the air affords a glimpse of the footprint of the playing field and the concrete foundation that supports the stadium.

"This is when the work becomes visible to the public," said Andy Beamon, vice president of operations for Mascaro Construction Co. LP.

"Steel is the framework, the skeleton, of the building. This is when you see the most progress. It's the critical phase."

By fall, the edifices of PNC Park and the Steelers stadium will be a permanent part of the city's skyline and riverfront. Then crews can concentrate on finishing up the interiors.

### Boy discovers drowning victim while feeding ducks at McKeesport Park

By Rose A. Domenick  
TRIBUNE-REVIEW

Josh Burton was feeding the ducks with his mother and little brother at a McKeesport Park when he noticed the water birds were avoiding one part of the river.

There was no ice on the Youghiogheny River on Sunday afternoon when the 9-year-old boy pointed out the body of a man with graying hair floating face-down about 15 feet from shore.

"Josh couldn't figure out why the ducks wouldn't come around the stage area," his mother, Patty Shields of Duquesne, said Monday.

"You could see his ear," said Shields, who takes her children to Gergely Riverfront Park about twice a week. "His head was tilted to the side and his shirt was puffy down to the shoulder blades, like there was air inside. He was bobbing, but the rest of him was under

water."

The victim was identified as Frank Salopek, 71, of McKeesport. An autopsy showed that he died of drowning, a spokesman for the Allegheny County Coroner's Office said.

McKeesport and county homicide detectives are still trying to determine how it happened.

"I was up all night (Sunday) because I couldn't sleep," Shields said. "I hope my sons are OK about it. Jeremy, my 4-year-old son, was there, too."

River rescue teams from McKeesport and Glassport responded to the scene.

McKeesport police Chief Ronald Willard said there was no visible sign of injury.

"The estimation is that the body was in the water about 12 hours," Willard said. "He had money in his pocket, no identification, and his false teeth were clutched in one frozen hand."



## NATIONAL

## Students mourn deaths of the three Seton Hall fire victims

LONG BRANCH, N.J. (AP) - More than 800 mourners turned out Monday for the funeral of one of the three 18-year-old victims of last week's dormitory fire at Seton Hall University.

Frank Caltabillota's former classmates from Seton Hall and Shore Regional High School - some wearing their varsity letter jackets - plus friends and relatives overflowed St. Jerome Roman Catholic Church for the funeral Mass. Caltabillota was a star football and baseball player at Shore Regional.

A second funeral was held Monday in Dunellen, for Aaron Karol. A service also is scheduled Monday for the third victim, John N. Giunta of Vineland. A public memorial service will be held Tuesday at the university

where all three were freshmen.

The fire broke out around 4:30 a.m. Wednesday on the third floor of Boland Hall, a six-story dormitory that housed 640 people.

Five of the 62 students who were injured remain hospitalized. Four are in critical condition with burns, and the fifth is in stable condition.

Investigators have been interviewing students and others. Essex County Prosecutor Donald Campolo has said arson, careless smoking or electrical problems have not been ruled out.

Published reports said that Seton Hall's public relations team held strategy meetings within hours of the blaze to discuss preserving the university's reputation.

At least one public relations firm was contacted within 24 hours of the fire to prepare a plan to deflect charges that the university had been negligent in its fire safety training, The Star-Ledger of Newark reported Sunday.

In a statement, Seton Hall officials said they hired a marketing communications firm one day after the fire to poll colleges and universities about dorm sprinkler systems. The poll, which surveyed 37 colleges in seven states at random, showed 45% of campus dormitories were not equipped with sprinklers.

Despite the hiring, Seton Hall spokeswoman Lisa E. Grider told the newspaper it's "too early for us to be thinking about" the school's image while students remain hospitalized.

The dorm where the fire started was built before laws required sprinklers in new campus dorms. Rep. Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y., said Sunday she plans to introduce legislation to require sprinklers be installed in all campus dorms.

"You have to protect them where they are. We can't count on them evacuating," said Dan Jones, fire chief in Chapel Hill, N.C., who has led a national campaign to install sprinklers in campus housing since a 1996 fraternity fire killed five people at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

At Seton Hall, many students said they didn't leave when the alarm sounded because they thought it was another false alarm - there have been 17 this school year.

## Truckers don't need to be healthy

By Steve Twedt  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

NEW ORLEANS - America does not have a program to ensure that commercial truck and bus drivers are medically fit to be on the highway.

That was the conclusion of James Hall, the chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, at a public hearing yesterday on a bus crash near here last Mother's Day in which 22 passengers died. The consensus yesterday was that the driver, Frank Bedell, had medical conditions that should have prevented him from driving that day.

The NTSB will make recommendations in coming weeks for ways to improve the safety of commercial drivers. Hall believes there is plenty to consider.

"The medical certification process now is virtually nonexistent," he said.

The U.S. Department of Transportation requires commercial truck and bus drivers to get physicals every two years to show they can handle the 80,000-pound rigs they navigate on U.S. highways.

Drivers with life-threatening illnesses can circumvent the medical certification process by shopping around for an examiner who will

certify them. Because the exams can be done by almost any licensed health examiner, including some nurses, physician's assistants and chiropractors, many examiners are unfamiliar with what medical conditions should disqualify drivers. And because failed exams are typically only reported to the employer, there is nothing to prevent the driver from seeking out a more lenient examiner for a different job.

Hall said NTSB invited experts from the Federal Aviation Administration to the New Orleans hearing to contrast its rigorous and comprehensive medical certification program for pilots with that for commercial drivers.

Commercial pilots must see designated air examiners for their physicals, which are done under tight controls. Where the FAA has physician medical directors in each of its nine regions to oversee the process, the program for 9 million commercial drivers has one full-time nurse, based in Washington, D.C., to oversee the program and field inquiries.

Hall said the commercial vehicle safety should have the same safety-first culture that exists in aviation. More than 5,000 people die each year in collisions between trucks and passenger vehicles. "We don't have to have all these fatalities."

## Equal-pay proposal unveiled

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Backed by U.S. soccer star Michele Akers and Labor Secretary Alexis Herman, President Clinton on Monday unveiled a \$27 million plan to help women get the same pay as men for the same work.

"I'm the son of a working mother, the grandson of a working grandmother, the husband of a working wife, and my daughter plans to follow suit," Clinton said in announcing his equal-pay proposal.

"But it's not a woman's issue," Clinton said. "If a woman with a family is being denied equal pay for equal work, then her husband suffers, her children suffer, the family dynamic suffers."

Clinton, Herman and others noted that American women make, on average, 75 cents for every dollar American men make. Clinton said this means that the average U.S. woman works an extra 17 weeks a year to earn what a similarly qualified man in the same kind of job earns.

The new White House plan, which must be approved by Congress would set aside \$10 million to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission to train more than 1,000 agents to identify and remedy wage discrimination cases.

Another \$17 million would go to the Labor Department to work on expanding job opportunities for women in fields that have been traditionally held by men.

The proposal builds on a 1963 federal law passed to guarantee women equal pay, as well as educating employers about their responsibilities and women about their rights in the workplace.

Clinton also urged Congress to pass last year's unsuccessful Paycheck Fairness Act, sponsored by Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, a South Dakota Democrat and Rep. Rosa DeLauro, a Connecticut Democrat.

Clinton got support from Akers, who helped guide the U.S. Women's World Cup soccer team to a championship victory last year, but she and her teammates are now working to get a raise from the U.S. Soccer Federation.

Akers and the 19 other members of the U.S. Women's World Cup soccer team were each paid \$3,150 per month during their 1999 championship season.

When their contract expired, the team asked for a raise to \$5,000 per month and \$2,000 per game. Their request was denied, but the two sides have scheduling a negotiating session for Monday in Los Angeles.

## Super Bowl XXIV: The Informed Viewers Guide

Pat Kirwan, who spent 12 years in the NFL as a coach, scout and personnel administrator, is an analyst for CNN. Kirwan provides the inside scoop on the key matchups to watch in Super Bowl XXXIV.

First off, a few things you should know about the Super Bowl matchup between the Tennessee Titans and the St. Louis Rams:

1. Neither team has much experience in a game of this magnitude, so the lack of experience factor is working on both sides of the ball and is pretty much canceled out.

2. Both quarterbacks, Steve McNair and Kurt Warner, have unblemished records in postseason play.

3. Playing as the wild card (and in an extra playoff game) has taken its toll on the Titans, who lost starting free safety Marcus Robertson and starting wide receiver Yancy Thigpen to foot and ankle injuries, respectively. The loss of Robertson is particularly tough because of the stress the Rams offense can now put on the Tennessee secondary.

4. These two teams played back on Halloween during the regular season, and Tennessee won 24-21. The Titans had great confidence in the Jacksonville game because they had beaten the Jaguars twice during the regular season. They'll have that confidence going again, knowing that they've already defeated the Rams this year.

5. The single week between the championship game and the Super Bowl favors the Rams for two reasons:

a) Injuries to the two Titans starters last week give their backups precious little time to get ready. And it is very hard during Super Bowl week to concentrate. Denver coach Mike Shanahan installed his Super Bowl package two weeks ahead of the game because of the distractions.

b) The Titans have played three consecutive playoff games, while the Rams had a bye in the first round. Even though the excitement of the moment makes them feel like they can keep going, the Titans are starting to wear

down. Twenty-three games in 24 weeks is a long grind.

Super Rematch

1. The last time these teams met - Oct. 31 at Tennessee - Warner fumbled the ball four times, and the Titans recovered three of those fumbles. If a team typically gets about 12 possessions in a game like the Super Bowl, four turnovers would equate to losing 25-30% of its scoring opportunities.

2. Warner was sacked five times by the Titans - by five different defenders. If that happens again the Rams are in trouble.

3. The Rams led the NFL in third-down conversions, making good on 47% of their opportunities during the regular season. Against the Titans the first time around, St. Louis converted just two of 12 on third down (17%). The team that wins the third-down battle has a very good chance of winning the game.

4. Rams running back Marshall Faulk carried the ball 22 times in the first meeting, rushing for 184 yards and a touchdown. The Titans can't let Faulk average more than eight yards per touch again if they want to win this time.

5. Thigpen caught two passes for a total of 49 yards, and Robertson tied for the team lead with eight tackles. Neither man will play this time.

6. The Rams were penalized 15 times for almost 100 yards last time. It's very unlikely the Titans will get that kind of help from the officials again.

7. Although the unheralded Rams defense held Eddie George to 68 yards rushing the last time, McNair still managed to rush for 36 yards and a touchdown.

8. Backup Titans defensive lineman Josh Evans had 1 1/2 sacks and forced a fumble. Evans was in on a sack against Jacksonville too. Rams guards Tom Nutten and Adam Timmerman must do a better job of blocking him.



## INTERNATIONAL

## Twelve year old twins' army takes Thailand hospital hostage

RATCHABURI, Thailand (Reuters) - Gunmen from "God's Army," a Myanmar guerrilla faction led by 12-year-old twins, stormed a Thai hospital on Monday and took hundreds of staff and patients hostage to demand relief from bloody border fighting.

Witnesses said about 10 attackers fired repeatedly with automatic weapons after breaking into the 770-bed provincial hospital at Ratchaburi, 75 miles west of Bangkok, at about 7:30 a.m. They arrived in a hijacked school bus.

Thai radio said a teacher from a nearby school was wounded by a stray bullet. There were no other reports of casualties.

The gunmen freed about 50 hostages, many elderly, after Thai army chief General Surayudh Julianond said he had ordered troops to stop shelling the guerrillas' base on the Myanmar border.

He said negotiations had been going well and tensions were easing, but one of the gunmen, who identified himself as "Knui," told Thai television their five demands had not

been met.

"We will go back when our demands are met, when we reach an agreement," Knui said by phone. "We still don't have any definite plan on how to return. We don't want to stay here too long."

Police said 17 hostages earlier escaped through a back door of the hospital, but Interior Minister Sanan Kachornprasart said 700 were still in the sprawling compound. Police said about 200 were in areas directly controlled by the gunmen.

The gunmen have demanded Thailand stop helping Myanmar army attacks, provide doctors and nurses to treat wounded fighters and open the border to allow them to seek relief.

God's Army is a breakaway faction of Myanmar's Christian Karen National Union guerrillas, who number about 100 and include Myanmar students and child soldiers. It was not known if the twin leaders - Johnny and Luther Htoo - took part in the attack.

## Dickenson College librarian imprisoned during research

By Bill Schackner  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

CARLISLE - As a young man in China during the Cultural Revolution, Song Yongyi tried to start a book club and paid for it with a five-year prison term and beatings.

Now, at age 50, the Dickinson College librarian is again languishing in a Chinese jail as a result of the Cultural Revolution, this time for trying to study it.

Song, an authority on the brutal Maoist decade from 1966 to 1976, went to China in July to resume his scholarly hunt for old newspapers and other documents from the period. But on this latest trip, he was confronted by Chinese security agents, who hustled him out of his Beijing hotel Aug. 7 and eventually charged him with "the purchase and illegal provision of intelligence to foreigners."

The arrest has placed him at the center of

what is becoming one of the highest profile human rights disputes ever between the United States and China, one that Western scholars say could jeopardize academic exchanges that both countries have carefully built up over a generation.

Song's confinement has attracted the attention of Congress. And it has baffled Western scholars of China, who say what Song was collecting were hardly state secrets.

"It's my worry that Mr. Song may have become, in a sense, a scapegoat for something else going on that we don't understand," said William Kirby, a China scholar at Harvard University and director of its Asia center.

In recent days, Kirby and 100 other China scholars from the United States, Europe and Australia sent a letter to Chinese President Jiang Zemin requesting Song's release. An electronic petition posted on the Internet now has roughly 4,000 signatures.

## Croats reject nationalism in latest presidential election

ZAGREB (Reuters) - Croatia overwhelmingly rejected the late Franjo Tudjman's brand of nationalism in a presidential election that has opened the way for a bruising runoff ballot between two pro-Western politicians.

Official election results released on Tuesday showed the charismatic centrist Stipe Mesic had clearly won Monday's vote with just over 41 percent support.

However, the 65-year old Mesic fell short of the absolute majority needed for immediate victory in the battle to succeed Tudjman, meaning he will have to face second placed Drazen Budisa in a head-to-head ballot on February 7.

The leader of the Social Liberal party took 27.7 percent of the vote and faces a seemingly tough fight to overcome Mesic, who struck a cord with Croatia's 3.8 million electorate thanks to his folksy, down-to-earth campaigning style.

"There is a fairly big difference between

myself and Mesic at the moment. In normal circumstances it would be difficult to overtake him, but...my comeback in the second round cannot be ruled out," the methodical 51-year old said.

The big loser on Monday was the autocratic Tudjman's HDZ party, still reeling from parliamentary elections at the start of the month, which saw it swept from power for the first time in a decade by a coalition of center-left parties.

The HDZ's official candidate, outgoing Foreign Minister Mate Granic, won just 22.46 percent of the vote, despite trying to distance himself from his sinking party during the campaign.

Granic, whose votes may prove decisive in the second round, on Tuesday declined to endorse either contender and urged his supporters to "follow their conscience."

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# SPORTS

## Paul's Points: Royal Rumble

By Paul Radkowski  
STAFF WRITER

This past Sunday night I went over to a friend's house and, for the second time in my life, I watched a WWF event. Last year, I watched Summer Slam with them and came home with a ripped sweatshirt (one of them got a little too excited).

But for some reason, I decided to give it another go. I arrived at my friend's place at 7:30 - half an hour before the night's pay-per-view (the Royal Rumble) was scheduled to start.

After an eventful half an hour filled with fighting and several calls to customer service, we had a picture.

I settled into my spot on the couch and watched...mostly the fans. I was amazed at the number of things I saw. Little kids about 6 or 7 years old who were holding up "Show me your puppies" signs. Middle-aged men going absolutely berserk. Twenty-something couples presumably out on dates. And of course, a seemingly infinite number of teenage males.

If you're wondering, yes, I did watch what was going on inside the ring too. I think it was the Dudleys who got up on the ropes and told the Madison Square Garden crowd about their new hero: John Rocker. Then I watched their table-smashing tag team match against the Hardy Boyz.

The highlight of the evening, though, was the Miss Royal Rumble 2000 bikini contest. It was a circus, complete with ringmaster Jerry Lawler. Judges included former wrestlers like Sgt. Slaughter (who even I remember). The "competitors" included such greats as Ivory and BB parading around in their little string bikinis.

I watched in total amazement as my host tripped over himself running into the other room and returned no more than 10 seconds later with a video camera. I couldn't believe it. They were going to actually videotape this because of the promise of nudity. (Why no VCR, you ask? Because it was not connected and they were afraid that to connect it, they'd have to disconnect the pay-per-view box.)

After a several minute struggle over how to attach the battery, they finally began recording. Who won the contest, you may ask? A 79-year old (so I've been told) former wrestling star Mae West. Why? Um...because she...uh...showed them her puppies.

The WWF broke out the "censored" graphic, but for just about a half a second, Mae managed to escape it. The look of horror on my host's face as he dropped the video-camera was one of the greatest sights that I've ever seen.

Then I left. I just couldn't take it anymore. My conclusion of the evening? I am not a wrestling fan. I will never be a wrestling fan as long as I'd rather watch Monday Night Football than Raw is War. But it was definitely worth an hour and a half of amusement.

As for my Super Bowl Prediction...Rams 23, Titans 20. Do I really care either way? Not a bit. I just, like everybody else in America, hope it's a good game.

Some funny commercials wouldn't hurt either.

## Lanigan's three point range no match for Hillsdale

Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

The men's basketball team evened their record to 10-6 overall and 5-4 in the GLIAC with a win and a loss last week. The loss was against GLIAC foe Hillsdale on January 20 and the Titans defeated the University of Findlay on January 22.

Against Hillsdale, the teams played a nip-and-tuck first half with 12 lead changes and eight ties, with Hillsdale taking a 38-36 advantage at half. The score was tied at 57-57 with 6:54 to play when the Chargers went on a 13-5 run to take a 72-64 lead with 2:09 to play. The Titans would get no closer than seven points the rest of the way.

All five Hillsdale starters scored in double-digits, accounting for all but two of the Chargers' 84 points. For the Titans, senior point guard Shane Lanigan led the way with team-best 16 points (on four three-pointers), five assists and three steals. Junior Henry Klinar and senior Bryan Conrad added 12 and 11 points, respectively, while sophomore Ryan Oman added eight points off the bench on 3-of-3 shooting (including a pair of treys).

In the game against Findlay, the team posted a 65-59 league win, ended the Titans' two-

game losing streak.

The Titans started strong, scoring the first 10 points of the game and leading by a comfortable margin most of the first half before going into halftime up 37-37. The Oilers rallied early in the second half, tying the score at 41-41 with 15:16 to play and taking their only lead of the game at 52-50 with 8:08 to go. From there, the Titans went on a 7-0 run over the next 4:27 to take a 57-52 advantage with 3:41 to play. Findlay would cut the lead back down to two points twice more in the contest, but would get no closer.

Klinar was the top gun for the Titans, bucketing a game-high 20 points. Klinar has now scored in double-figures 26 straight games dating back to last season. Junior

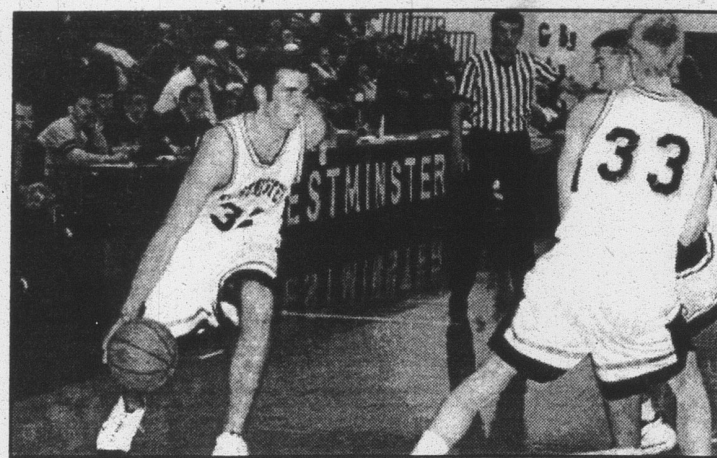


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Chad Phillips uses Brian Conrad's pick to drive to the basket against Hillsdale.

swingman Andy Wormsley and junior forward Chad Phillips added 15 and 12 points, respectively, in the win.

The Titans finish their schedule with all GLIAC contests. The team travels to Mercyhurst College on Saturday to play at 3 p.m. and then will be home on Monday to face Ashland University at 8 p.m.

## Lady Titans still searching for first GLIAC win

Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

The women's basketball team saw their record drop to 3-12 overall and 0-9 in GLIAC play with a pair of losses against Hillsdale College and the University of Findlay.

The Lady Titan team appeared on its way to its first GLIAC win against Hillsdale, racing to a seven-point lead (21-14) with 6:36 to play in the first half. Hillsdale then rallied at the end of the half with a 13-4 run to take a two-point advantage at 27-25 heading into intermission. The Chargers continued to dominate play early in the second half, opening the period with a 15-3 run to take a 42-28 lead

with 12:27 to play. The Titans closed the lead to eight points at 50-42 with 5:01 to play, but would get no closer.

The lone Lady Titan to reach double-figures in scoring was freshman forward Samor Himes, who tallied a team-best 13 points off the bench. She also suffered a concussion in the loss and was unable to play in the following game.

The team then faced Findlay on January 22 and lost by a score of 92-54. The Oilers put the game out of reach early, posting a 50-28 advantage heading into halftime and never looking back. Five Oilers scored in double digits, led by Mianda Watts with a game-high 23 points. For the Titans, sophomore guard

Robin Thayer bucketed a team-high 16 points on 7-of-13 shooting from the field, while also dishing out a team-best three assists. Freshmen Jennifer Petures and Himes added nine and eight points, respectively.

"Sometimes there are five freshman on the court, and although we have played half the season together, we're still not as experienced as our opponents," Ganster said. "We have the talent, we just need to gain a little bit more confidence."

The Lady Titans return to GLIAC action on Monday to play Ashland University at 6 p.m.

### SWIM from page one


our best effort. We will definitely get our revenge at our Championship meet, GLIACS. As for the Grove City meet, our rival, I think that it will be a fun meet and I hope to see a lot of support from the students."

The Westminster College men's and women's swimming teams each saw their dual meet records improve to 6-1 on the season Tuesday, after wins over Grove City. The Lady Titans finished 113-79, while the Titan men posted a 105-85 decision.

The Lady Titans were led in the event by freshman Stefanie King. King broke her own school record in the 200 breaststroke with a time of 2:25.74, also setting a new pool record and posting an NCAA Division II "A-cut" qualifying time in the process. King is now qualified to compete at the NCAA Division II National Swimming & Diving Championships in March.

On the men's side, senior David Gesacion also set a new school record, capturing the 1000 freestyle in a time of 9:53.15, breaking the mark of 9:54.23 set by Sean Coughlin in 1987.

Both teams return to action at home Saturday, as the Titans host Fairmont State University in a pair of non-conference dual meets at 1 p.m.



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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



## D Bash

Director Frank Darabont has already taken blows from critiques for the similarities between *The Green Mile*, and his last movie, *The Shawshank Redemption*. This, of course, will spark comparison of the two films, so let me save you the trouble. Is *The Green Mile* as good as *Shawshank*? No? Is it a damn good movie? Hell yes.

The films share a lot more than being great films. They're both set in the 1930's, involve relationships built and lost inside prison walls, and they're both damn long. But while *Shawshank* was told from the prisoners point of view, *The Green Mile* is told through the eyes of prison guard Paul Edgecomb (Tom Hanks), the head superintendent on E Block at Louisiana's Cold Mountain Penitentiary (otherwise known as "the Green Mile", due to its lime colored floor.) It is here that Edgecomb meets convicted murderer and rapist, the huge, gentle, black man Jon Coffey (Michael Clark Duncan), who breathes an exquisite life into the film, and much, much more, (as you will see).

As Edgecomb finds out rather quickly, Coffey is capable of working miracles (the first of which is the clearing up of Edgecomb's urinary infection). Why exactly Coffey has the gift to heal, from where this gift or for that matter Coffey came are never made clear.

The ambiguous nature of Coffey's gift and no in depth look at the religious beliefs and morals of the characters in the film leaves a lot to be explained. However, these emissions have little bearing on the grand viewing pleasure the film provides. The grand scale emotion of *The Green Mile* will surely derive from even the coldest hearts out weighs any shortcomings that may creep into ones mind hours after the movie ends.

As always, Tom Hanks shines. Playing Edgecomb masterfully, and sounding a bit like Gump, Hanks keeps the southern drawl from being a gimmick, and instead sounds damn convincing. Duncan is equally amazing as Coffey. The size of Duncan alone is enough to astound, and his acting towers far above his height. Simply put, the movie is basically life on the Green Mile in the presence of Jon Coffey.

The rest of the cast is also excellent, especially the rest of the Green Mile staff. The extremely likeable David Morse is comforting as second in command on the mile. Doug Hutchinson is near perfect, as the terribly unlikable sadist, Percy Wetmore, who could easily become one of the most hated on screen villains in recent movie history. And although the involvement of animal characters in films usually means disaster, Mr. Jingles, the talented mouse of E Block, gives a strong performance as well.

Cute mice aside, the movie's graphic depictions of cruelty inside the big house hit hard (particularly a scene involving an electrocution gone awry). It all avoids gratuitous proportions, however. It feels real, and it helps push the movie to emotional highs.

*The Green Mile* is extremely long, and the story doesn't surface particularly fast, but that doesn't matter. As the movie unwinds it's magic around you, all sense of time is lost, a quality extremely important for a story from which so much can be gained.

## Ash

Well, D. Bash and I are back in the saddle again. Yeah, I was busy and became a bit lackadaisical toward the end of last semester, but I am back now with the latest movie review.

After fifteen minutes of brushing, chiseling and scraping snow, Bash and I were off in the Probenator for the flick of the week.

*The Green Mile* is a movie based on a book by Stephen King, and is directed by Frank Darabont. This combination created the 1994 Oscar winning *The Shawshank Redemption*, a movie which has been repeatedly compared to *The Green Mile*. Both are set in the correctional systems from decades ago, deal with corruption and focus quite heavily upon the prisoners. However, I do not believe that this movie is a *Shawshank* wannabe. It has aspects comparable to *The Shawshank Redemption*, but overall is quite original.

The plot focuses around the prisoner guards Paul Edgecomb (Tom Hanks) and his men, actors David Morse, Barry Pepper, Jeffery DeMunn, and Doug Hutchinson. The main character

(a 350 pound black man) is a simpleton accused of murdering two white girls. This Goliath, John Coffey (Michael Clark Duncan), is truly a kind-hearted soul at heart. It is here in this lime-green prison that the miracles take place.

The primary background for the movie is the prison, a dark, industrial place. *The Green Mile* takes place in 1935 and is called such because of the lime-colored floor of the facility, which leads to the electric chair. The setting is realistic, and whenever the scenes leave these premises the audiences feels a sense of freedom from the claustrophobically confining atmosphere.

The cinematography in this movie is very powerful with many up-close facial shots, which help depict the powerful emotions of the characters. The props and costumes are very realistic, and give an accurate sense of the times.

The movie is a long one (180 minute running time), and has been chastised for being

such. But for me the time went quite quickly. There were a few scenes which could have been shortened, but the relaxed pace of the movie allowed for a better understanding of the situation and made the audience feel more intimate with the atmosphere and the actions.

The plot could have been very unrealistic and corny, but surprisingly ended up fairly well. It was tension-filled with extremely powerful emotional climaxes, which repeatedly turned the audience into a crowd of teary-eyed sniffing sissies (this reviewer excluded of course).

Overall, *The Green Mile* is a highly recommended movie. It holds the attention of the viewers, has an interesting plot and gives the audience some thoughts to ponder. If nothing else the emotions that it conjures lets you know that you are still alive.



## THE GOLDEN GLOBE AWARDS: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly: Rating the Stars' Rags

By Lilliam Rivera  
E! Online



Courtney Love

**Time of Her Life:** It was a very single Jennifer Love Hewitt looking chic in a slinky, '70s-inspired, glittery gown by Narcisco Rodriguez. But how did she keep walking in a straight line with those funky sandals?

**Mr. Mia Farrow** looked positively manly in a Ralph Lauren black tux with a hanging watch and owlsh, round-rimmed glasses.

**Out of Practice** Some, sort of an award should go to the totally underdressed Lara Flynn Boyle, who adorned

her petite bod in a teeny-tiny, sequined, Bob Seger T-shirt with tight, hip-hugging slacks and heels. Maybe she thought the Golden Globes were a rock group.

**Class Act:** Sporting an open-slit dress with a plain white belt and taming her normally big hair in a french braid, Will & Grace's Debra Messing looked simple and classy.

**Mission Accomplished:** Tom Cruise always looks the dapper one, and he didn't fail us in his black tuxedo with brown shirt and matching satin tie.

**That '70s Man:** With all those comic-book heroes being made into movies, perhaps goggle-sporting Peter Fonda is vying for the role of Aquaman.

**Blue Shriek:** Although Sigourney Weaver thankfully skipped the blond wig she sported in *Galaxy Quest*, she looked awfully Alien in a neon-blue, braless blob of an outfit.

**Woman in Red:** Kim Cattrall tried to soften the garish, red-sequined, barely breathable look with soft ringlets. It didn't work.

**The Big One:** It's hard to believe Versace comes in his size, but Michael Clarke Duncan got his tuxedo looking just right.

**Sexy Siren** Charcoal-gray dress?: Only

totally hot Minnie Driver could pull that off. (Of course, the plunging front slit doesn't hurt.)

**Shower Scene:** It might have been an Yves Saint Laurent dress, but boys will cry when they see Chloë Sevigny's dizzying circular pattern - it looked more like a shower curtain.

**Shorn Again:** There were no hairy surprises from everyone's favorite pretty woman, Julia Roberts. She looked elegant in a simple burgundy dress with plunging neckline and straight, sleek 'do.

**Gray Matters:** Poor Angelina Jolie. Shooting Girl, Interrupted seems to have turned the usually sexy actress into a pale, gray-haired mess. Three words of advice for your next night out: color, color and more color.

**Some Like It Hot:** Charlize Theron channeled Marilyn Monroe in a silver, formfitting gown with a sexy side slit. High Hollywood glam!

**The Iron Maiden** An avalanche of cleavage is what Camryn Manheim was practicing in her overwrought beige corset. Sorry, Cam, but the "Big Girl" shtick is wearing thin.

**Order in the Courtney:** This is what hap-

pens when you put your outfit through a shredder. Courtney Love must've used glue to keep those little pieces of Versace rags from making any unwanted revelations.

**Yellow Rose:** A very low-key and brown-locked Gwyneth Paltrow opted for a pale yellow blouse, a large piece of silver custom jewelry and long black slacks.

**Repeat Performance:** Barbra Streisand's glittery, gray turtleneck dress with matching shawl - or was that a sweater? - couldn't keep anyone awake, even if the speech was half as long. Got anything else in the closet, Babs?



Surprise winner, Hilary Swank



# OPINION

## Question of the week

**Are you participating in the Mock Convention?**

**Brent Witgen, senior**  
"Yes, I am a delegate for New Mexico. It sounded interesting and I wanted to wear a sombrero."



**Selina Strait, sophomore**  
"Yes, it's not only a good experience, but an event that only happens once every four years."

**Jeff Simmons, freshman**  
"Yes, I'm a political science major and it seems interesting."



**Jenny Bryan, senior**  
"No, it just doesn't interest me."



**T.J. Gallo, freshman**  
"Yes, I hear it is a good way to meet women."

**Kacie Higgins, freshman**  
"No, I haven't signed up yet."



**Mollie Wallace, senior**  
"No, I am Theater major so I don't have time for any other extracurriculars."



**Simon Kanaan, sophomore**  
"No, I don't have time, but if I would participate if I did."

**Tim Straite, sophomore**  
"Yes, because I'm a true believer in democracy."



## OUR VIEW: Mock Convention 2000

The sign on Galbreath tracks the countdown, signs advertising the candidates are going up and the buzz around campus relates to....nothing regarding politics.

The Mock Convention, the second oldest of its kind in the United States, is fast approaching and the Campaign Committee is *still* looking for help.

It's not too much of a surprise that few people are involved due to the campus' usual lack of involvement in anything. But one would think that because this is such a huge event nationwide and because Westminster can pride itself on having such a unique activity, that more people would be interested. However, many people don't even know who's running in the national election or which candidates are even running on campus.

No one seems to care either, which is pretty scary considering every person is old enough to vote and able to choose their country's next leader.

Misinformed voters are probably worse though. Many students have eluded to their first choice to be Bush but have followed with the statement that their choice is only based on his name. Some students think that George W. Bush is actually his father running again.

The Mock Convention is supposed to be a learning experience for many students. But what many are learning is just how uninformed and uninterested everyone really is.

In the actual election....

**Bush**-Currently the front runner, and better referred to as "former President Bush's son," is currently stepping around the other candidates. After a less than impressive victory in Iowa, Bush is still tip-toeing around issues like abortion and other social stands hoping not to

lose any more votes. Most people believe that he is playing only on his father's name and experience.

**Forbes**-A surprising number two in Iowa, Forbes has held strong on his views on issues like abortion. Having no real political background except a failed presidential run in '96, Forbes will probably finish out the election because he has enough money to fund a small country. He proposed a pact of no negative campaigning in the beginning, which was shot down by many of the candidates. He also is playing the "what's in a name game" with Forbes magazine and corporation being a very prominent fixture in today's culture. Forbes expanded his '96 campaign to include more issues instead of only using his well-known flat tax stand.

**McCain**-A former POW and senator, this candidate's strength is military experience but fails in the category of a well-known name. A man known to have a temper, McCain began the race addressing issues such as negative campaigning and national defense. He also has proposed a new flat tax system but does not lean on it as much as Forbes has.

**Bauer**-Standing strong on family values and morality, Bauer has previously established himself as a leader through work with Focus on the Family and the Family Research Council. He plugs the abortion issue and criticizes Bush for not taking a stronger stand on the issue. Bauer will probably finish last in the polls out of the four due to lack of funding and campaign experience.

## EDITORIAL COMIC



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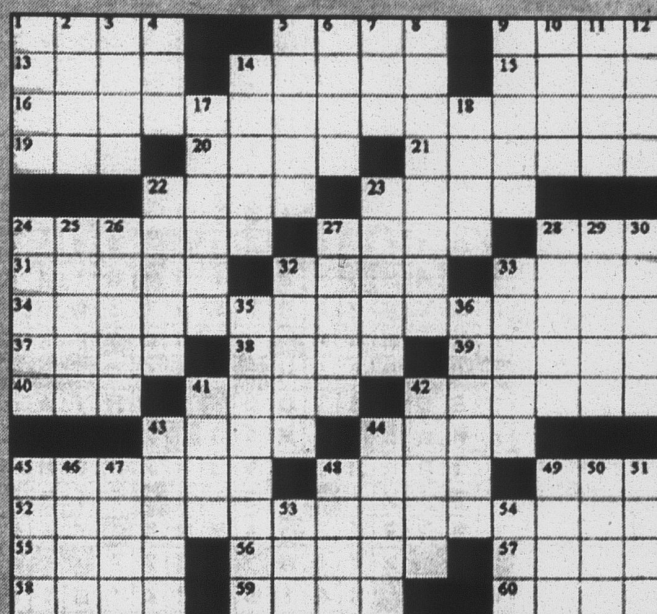
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20. Approve
21. Parisian wife
22. Resorts
23. Caps
24. Newscaster Dan
27. Camp beds
28. 6th sense
31. Vertical position
32. Indian garb
33. Carvey, comedian
34. "Good things come"

37. Fisherman's needs
38. Broadcasts
39. Estuary
40. Speak
41. Fed mortgage agcy.
42. Navigates
43. FBI agents
44. Wrestlers' needs
45. Leg bones
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49. Mohammed
52. "A friend in need"
55. Otherwise
56. Empty
57. Plant part
58. Understands
59. Hearing aids
60. Prescription measure

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2. Comedienne Meara
3. Precedes door or road
4. Harris & Asner
5. Florence's spending money
6. Jealousy
7. Formerly known as
8. Theatrical
9. Storage places
10. Volcanic ash
11. WordPerfect's Utah home
12. No longer are
14. Senegal's capital
17. Sunflower state capital
18. Minnesota
22. Counterfeits
23. Jewish dances
24. Pours
25. Breathing problem
26. Cranky
27. Director Frank
28. Aerie dweller
29. Scornful expression
30. Yesterdays
32. Virginia
33. Copenhagen residents
35. Overwhelming political win
36. Mitten loser
41. Stage fright
42. Polio vaccine developer
43. Flutes
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46. Pines or Man
47. Foundation
48. Growl
49. Aviation prefix
50. Honolulu wreaths
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53. Historical period
54. Pop



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## GOLDEN GLOBE AWARDS 2000 WINNERS

**Best Motion Picture - Drama**  
*American Beauty*

**Best Performance by an Actress in a Motion Picture - Drama**  
 Hilary Swank *Boys Don't Cry*

**Best Performance by an Actor in a Motion Picture - Drama**  
 Denzel Washington *The Hurricane*

**Best Motion Picture - Comedy or Musical**  
*Toy Story 2*

**Best Performance by an Actress in a Motion Picture - Comedy or Musical**  
 Janet McTeer *Tumbleweeds*

**Best Performance by an Actor in a Motion Picture - Comedy or Musical**  
 Jim Carrey *Man on the Moon*

**Best Foreign Language Film**  
*All About My Mother*

**Best Performance by an Actress in a Supporting Role - Motion Picture**  
 Angelina Jolie *Girl, Interrupted*

**Best Performance by an Actor in a Supporting Role - Motion Picture**  
 Tom Cruise *Magnolia*

**Best Director - Motion Picture**  
 Sam Mendes *American Beauty*

**Best Screenplay - Motion Picture**  
 Alan Ball *American Beauty*

**Best TV-Series - Drama**  
*The Sopranos*

**Best Performance by an Actress in a TV-Series - Drama**  
 Edie Falco *The Sopranos*

**Best Performance by an Actor in a TV-Series - Drama**  
 James Gandolfini *The Sopranos*

**Best TV-Series - Comedy or Musical**  
*Sex And The City*

**Best Performance by an Actress in a TV-Series - Comedy or Musical**  
 Sarah Jessica Parker *Sex and the City*

**Best Performance by an Actor in a TV-Series - Comedy or Musical**  
 Michael J. Fox *Spin City*

**Best Mini-Series or Motion Picture made for Television**  
*RKO 281*

**Best Performance by an Actress in a Mini-Series or Motion Picture Made for TV**  
 Halle Berry  
*Introducing Dorothy Dandridge*

**Best Performance by an Actor in a Mini-Series or Motion Picture Made for TV**  
 Jack Lemmon *Inherit the Wind*



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**DAKKOTA**-A southern rock band, will play at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Down Under. Admission is free, as well as popcorn and refreshments.

**BLOOD DRIVE**-The Red Cross Blood Drive will be held from noon-6 p.m. Tuesday in the TUB. The goal is 100 pints. For more information, call Beth Brooks at EXT. 7111.

**MORNING FELLOWSHIP**-Tuesday Morning Fellowship will be held at 7 a.m. Tuesday in Lindley Dining Hall. This week's leader is Joe Hopkins.

**CLUB CANCELLATIONS**-Anyone associated with the Rugby Club and the Association of Computing Machinery must schedule an appointment with Camille Hawthorne, associate dean of student affairs to discuss organizational status. If there are no members left on campus, these organizations will be declared inactive. Please arrange an appointment by calling EXT. 7110 by February 4, 2000.

**CAREER WORKSHOP**-Resume Writing and Interviewing Skills Workshops will be held Thursday, Jan. 27, Tuesday, Feb. 29, from 4:30-5:30 p.m., and Wednesday, March 1 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. All sessions will be held in TUB A/B.

**INTERSHIP DAY**-Internship Day is

Thursday, March 30. Companies and agencies looking for summer and fall interns will be on campus to interview students. Watch for sign-ups.

**UNITED NATIONS**-The Presbyterian Peacemaking Program is sponsoring an opportunity to examine the work of the United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland from May 23-June 8. Course credit offered. For details, call Janet Waugaman at EXT. 6338.

## JOB FAIRS

### For Teachers:

-Wednesday, April 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Holiday Inn Conference Center, Routes 100 and 22/78, Fogelsville. For more information, visit: [www.kutztown.edu/admin/careers](http://www.kutztown.edu/admin/careers).

-Thursday, April 6, Pittsburgh ExpoMart, Monroeville. The Pittsburgh Educational Recruiting Consortium (PERC) will be recruiting for school districts from the Middle Atlantic Region and other areas of the country. Participation is by pre-registration only, and a student must be completing a degree or certification between Sept. 1, 1999 and August 31, 2000.

-Saturday, March 11 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Colonial Forge High School, 550 Courthouse Rd., Stafford, Va. Recruiting for Stafford County Public Schools, a rapidly growing community 40 miles south of Washington, D.C. For more information, call (540) 658-6000 or e-mail [bestpepl@mnsinc.com](mailto:bestpepl@mnsinc.com).

### General Fairs:

-Thursday, March 16, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Pittsburgh ExpoMart, Monroeville. More than 180 employers will interview seniors and alumni for jobs and underclassmen for internships at the WestPACS 2000 Job Fair. Pre-register before March 9 and the cost is \$5; day of the event cost is \$10. For more information, visit: [www.studentcentral.com/indexWESTPACS.cfm](http://www.studentcentral.com/indexWESTPACS.cfm).

-March 6 at 6 p.m. and March 17 at 8 a.m., the Arlington (Va.) County Police Department will administer the written exam for the Police Officer I position at the WestPACS Job Fair. Reservations to take the test may be made only at the job fair.

## WANTED

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**FINANCIAL CALCULATOR**-If anybody has a financial calculator they do not need or would like to sell, please call 964-9472.

## FOR SALE/RENT

**For sale:** Spanish 201 Book and C.D. Will sell for \$45. Call EXT. 6622.

## CORRECTION

**MLK Day Turnout Disappointing**  
January 21, 2000 issue

Councilwoman McDonald stated Martin Luther King Day should be "a day on, not a day off" and urged everyone to become a member of the NAACP, not the ACLU.

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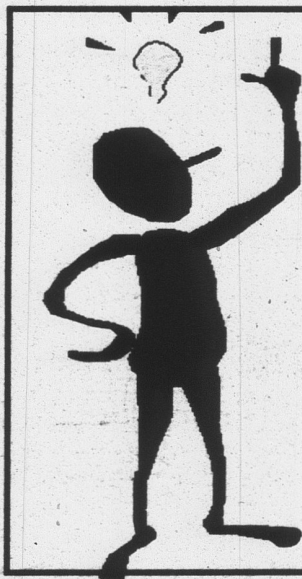
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## Calendar of Events

### FRIDAY 28

Last Day to ADD (\$15 Fee)

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Mock Convention Signups - TUB Grill

11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel

### SATURDAY 29

Ski Club Trip to Holiday Valley

11:00 a.m. Alpha Phi Omega Story Hour - McGill Children's Library

1:00 p.m. Men's and Women's Swimming vs. Fairmont State (H)

1:00 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Mercyhurst

3:00 p.m. Men's Basketball @ Mercyhurst

7:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel

### SUNDAY 30

5:00 p.m. Mock Convention Steve Forbes Campaign/Super Bowl Party -  
Down Under

6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting @ Chapter House

7:00 p.m. Vespers - Chapel

9:00 p.m. "The Sopranos" - Down Under

10:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

### MONDAY 31

On-Campus Recruiting Begins - Career Center

11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel

5:30 p.m. Panhellenic Meeting - TUB A/B

5:30 p.m. Phi Kappa Tau Meeting - HSC 152

6:00 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Ashland (H)

6:00 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall

6:15 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112-113

6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - Tub A/B

6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116

6:30 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311-312

8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball vs. Ashland (H)

8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 23

### TUESDAY 1

Noon - 6:00 p.m. A.m.erican Red Cross Blood Drive - TUB Lounge

7:00 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal - Chapel

8:00 p.m. Bleasby Colloquium: Senior English Majors Present Projects -  
TUB A/B

### WEDNESDAY 2

#### GROUNDHOG DAY

7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116

8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B

8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111

9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - Down Under

### THURSDAY 3

7:00 p.m. IFC Meeting - TUB A/B

8:00 p.m. Lambda Sigma Tea for First-Year Students - Down Under

9:30 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal - Chapel

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# The HOLCAD

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## Music lab opened to the tune of \$100,000

By Justin Nicolette  
STAFF WRITER

How many times have you had an urge to learn how to play the piano? How often have you listened to the radio and said to yourself, "I could write a better song than that." Well, now is your chance.

The college has recently opened its new Music Technology Lab in the music wing of Patterson Hall. Chair of the Music Department Grover Pitman expressed excitement about the recent project.

Pitman said that the lab previously known as the Electric Piano Lab will now be called the Music Technology Lab. A small room connected to the new lab contains all of the power sources for the pianos. The room is well equipped with a 200-watt amp and total Internet access.

The lab itself was very conservative in color. The carpets were tiled in a dark blue and the walls are just a shade lighter. The equipment, on the other hand, is very modern. The lab is equipped with 17 Yamaha Clavinova digital pianos. All of the pianos are alike in

model, with the exception of the one instructor's piano, which is risen in the front of the classroom. The wires neatly run between the rows of pianos. This is a drastic change from the previous lab where the wires had been run all over the floor. People could not help but trip over them.

These state of the art instruments act not only as a piano, but are present an entire recording studio right at your finger tips. Eventually, computers will be installed above every station. The students will be able to write, record and then even send a song to anywhere in the world.

"This is better than email for the mere fact that email, when written in English is read in English," Pitman said. "Music is the international language."

This room is also wheelchair accessible. No detail was left out when designing the new lab.

Further construction is currently being planned for the summer of 2000. Future plans include a smart classroom setup. There will be computers of course, televisions possibly, new speakers mounted on the walls and a



By Courtney Behm

The renovated music lab is predicted to be one of the best in the country.

giant screen in the front that will receive projections from all pianos.

"When completed in the summer of 2000, Westminster will have one of the premiere college or university music labs in the country," Pitman said.

Many classes are and will be taught in this lab. At the present moment, music theory, music education, and intro to electric music are being taught. There will be more classes added to the schedule the following school year.

## Seton Hall deaths ignite questions on campus safety



Photo by Courtney Behm

After the Seton Hall fire, students are wondering if it could happen at Westminster.

By Brent Wilson  
STAFF WRITER

On Wednesday, January 19, Seton Hall University experienced a terrible tragedy, a dormitory fire.

The fire, which began on the third floor of the six story Boland Hall, killed three students and injured sixty-two more. Built in the early 1950s, Boland Hall was home to 640 students. It had no sprinkler system and no working fire hoses. The students residing in the hall also noted that due to the frequency of false alarms, 18 since September, many chose to ignore this one believing it too to be false.

When asked about fire safety at Westminster, Dean of Safety and Security John Lechner said, "I have to tip my hat to Physical Plant, they are extremely conscientious, especially where safety is concerned."

There are fire alarms in each building, and the resident life staff conducts monthly fire drills. Sprinkler systems exist in Hillside and other areas that merit them, such as the kitchen area in Galbreath Hall. Physical Plant conducts a systems test at the beginning of, and at certain times throughout, each semester. One such test was done throughout several campus buildings earlier last month.

"The biggest harm I can think of is false alarms. After hearing so many they (the students) begin to disbelieve them," Lechner said.

Former RA Mark Johnston and current RA Jon Brown concurred.

"We haven't had a lot of false alarms this year, which can make the residents take the ones we do have more seriously," Brown said.

Johnston felt that as an RA he was adequately trained in the area of fire safety.

"We were always told to find a hall fire marshal, someone to help the RA out by checking doors and bathrooms on their hall during an alarm," Johnston said.

Brown agreed. "For our job we were trained well enough, and it helps that with our alarm system it is easy to look at and tell exactly where the alarm is coming from."

Lechner said that he believes the dormitories at Westminster to be as prepared for fire as possible.

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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Renovations unturn the mystery of Thompson Clark Freeman

By Sara Bozich  
STAFF WRITER

I don't know about you, but until last week one morning, I had never had the nerve to walk on the third floor of the building we know as Thompson-Clark-Freeman, or simply, TCF. I had heard it was haunted.

I could never find anyone daring enough to explore it with me. On a few occasions I had made it halfway up the third-floor stairwell only to be interrupted by unidentifiable sounds my friends and I took as ghosts. Many of us have heard rumors about apparition activity in other buildings and TCF seems like a logical place for a whole family of haunting Caspers.

Its old floors and low ceilings imply that it has been around longer than some buildings on campus, and rumors about apartments on the third and fourth floors of the Thompson side leave much to the imagination.

However, all my daydreams and nightmares were shattered when I was able to tour the entire place in broad daylight for this article. As all of you have probably noticed, something is going on there, but I didn't know quite what. It turns out renovations are occurring that most of us will get to see next year, unlike the fabled changes to take place in our beloved student union building that I'll get to enjoy when I'm bringing my children here for alumni weekends.

Thompson-Clark-Freeman Hall is a four-story building spanning over 40,000 square feet. It was built in three sections in 1893, 1895, and 1953. In the past, it housed the Learning Center, the Communication Arts and Theatre Department and services for students in the Honors Program. These days, only the Freeman side (the side facing Galbreath Hall) is in use, wherein Cable 9-TV, the Campus Safety and Security Office and Audio-Visual Services reside ([www.westminster.edu/Facilities](http://www.westminster.edu/Facilities)).

However, over a year ago, committees involving every department on campus came together to design the renovation to take place this spring. Recently, a public bidding was held involving nine contractors: both local and from the Pittsburgh area. Owen Wagner, Physical Plant Director, said the bidding was "very exciting, very tight and very competitive."

The college is currently in the process of analyzing those bids and an award will be made no later than Feb. 11. The tentative date for work to begin is March 1. However, in a way, work has already begun. Wagner affirmed that "99.9% of the asbestos is removed," and visible changes such as the addition and expansion of sidewalks have already taken place.

The newly renovated TCF will boast the home to the Modern Languages, Political Science, Communications and English Departments. These offices will be located on the fourth floor of the building. The Learning Center will move back to its old home on the second floor, along with a graphics lab and smart classroom. The third floor will contain mostly classrooms and offices, and the basement will be used for mechanical space.

The building will have a new fire alarm system, electric, central heating, and possibly air-conditioning if it can be afforded. It will also have a new stairwell, an elevator and a new roof will be put on two feet higher than its present height.

Wagner is "very excited" about this project and so am I. Finally a change is occurring that is effecting nearly every student, and we will all be able to see it when it opens for Spring Semester 2001. All juniors, sophomores and freshmen, not to mention those seniors on the "5-year plan" will be able to check out the third and fourth floors of this building and discover not only that it is not haunted but that amazing changes will be taking place.



Photo by Courtney Behm  
Thompson Clark Freeman has housed many years of mystery.

## FIRE from page one

"We have a very conscientious and dedicated staff, and an alarm system that alerts everyone from the resident life staff to campus security of exactly where an alarm is coming

from," he said. "I also think that the students have done exceptionally well this year, with the lack of false alarms. It shows a nice level of maturity."

## TUB changes equivocality due to student complaints

By Alyssa Detore  
STAFF WRITER

In addition to the alterations from last year, the TUB grille has changed meal exchange times and prices and the type of items you can buy for this semester, due to numerous complaints.

Beth Wineland, manager of the Tub grille explained that the meal exchange rates for the fall semester were due to a contract that the TUB was under.

"The rates changed this semester to satisfy the students' complaints," Wineland said. "The Tub now gives students more money to use for meals even though we are not receiving any extra funds from the college."

Students are no longer restricted to a \$3.00 minimum for each meal exchange. Instead, they are allotted \$3.00 for breakfast, \$3.50 for lunch and \$4.00 for dinner.

"I think it is a lot better because now I am able to eat more than just one thing for lunch," junior Marianne Davis said. "It gives me more of a variety."

There are also specials each day that allow students to receive entire meals for the amount of money they are allowed to use. A student is able to purchase a sandwich, large French fries and a thirty-two ounce drink, or a six inch sub, drink and cookies (or fruit), or a pizza, drink and cookies for his/her lunch exchange. There is even a healthy option that includes soup, a small salad, a twenty-ounce drink and fruit.

Meal exchange times are another difference that students may have noticed. Breakfast is now served from 7:30 to 10:15,

lunch is from 10:45 to 3:30 and dinner is at 4:30 to 9:30.

"I don't think the time changes are a good improvement," sophomore Karly Foster said. "If I have a class at 9:20, I can't get breakfast afterward."

In general, the differences this semester show a positive outcome by the increase in TUB sales. Wineland said that compared to previous years, the TUB has become busier in a shorter amount of time since the changes have been made.

"I think it is a fairly good improvement. Now if I don't have time to eat in the cafeteria I have another choice. The healthy options were a much needed change also," junior Shay Stewart said.

"Even though I wasn't here last year, I think the changes are an improvement from last semester," freshman Travis Lively said. "Three dollars was not enough for one meal."

Other students had opposing opinions. "It's a slight improvement, but they could still do better. I think they should change the food selection before they change the exchange rates," sophomore Matt Virgin said.

"I don't see it as an improvement," junior Aaron Stamp said. "They might give you more money for equivalency, but the food prices increase so it doesn't make a difference."

"I don't understand why we can't get gum or candy with our meals if it is our money," junior Marissa Grano said.

Although the Tub grille has seen numerous changes over the last few semesters, and students have shown some opposing opinions, Wineland said that there would be no more changes.

## "Flight" offers an experience; more than just an IP credit

By Mike Burnett  
STAFF WRITER

By taking only one class in physics, you can learn how to travel pretty far in just one semester. Originally offered as a J-term class, "Flight" outlines some of the basics of physical science through the technology of flying machines while providing students with an IP credit.

Professor of Physics Bill Johnson teaches the class of nearly 15 students about vectors, forces, navigation and acceleration and how these principles relate to Flight.

"We take a look at how basic science principles lead to better technology," Johnson said. "The students should see by the end of the term that planes have to fly because of the science involved."

Johnson particularly enjoys the history aspect of the class. The students explore aviation through a combination of science and history.

"Aviation is a common theme in history because of the many time barriers and cultural boundaries broken by it over the years," Johnson said.

Field trips make up another large portion of the class. Throughout the semester, the class will travel to the New Castle Airport, the USAir maintenance facility at the Pittsburgh Airport and also to a real air traffic control tower. Students are also able to fly a plane at the end of the semester.

As a possible source of extra credit, stu-

dents may choose to prepare for and take the written test for the pilot exam. The exam is a difficult test given by the government that covers information on how to fly a plane and the regulations of flying.

Missy Lewellyn, a senior, sociology/criminal justice major, really enjoys the class.

"I like the idea of learning how to fly a plane," Lewellyn said. "Also, the class gives non-science majors a chance to learn about science in a non-traditional way."

Because Flight is offered for Scientific Discovery IP credit, the class does have a lab now, unlike the days of J-term. In the lab, students discover how to calculate forces acting on an airplane, how to navigate and how to use GPS technology among other things. The class recently used the GPS receiver to plot points around New Wilmington. The receiver communicates with satellites orbiting around Earth to determine a location within a few feet of accuracy.

"Technology is only possible through the creative uses of scientific principles," Johnson said. "The tested and true scientific principles form the base from which technological advances come. Flight is set up to help students realize the scientific principles and how they affect technology today."

Johnson is one of three professors in the Westminster physics department. He also teaches electronics, waves, and mechanics.

Flight is listed in the catalog as "Science 141 Flight" and is offered in the spring term.



# Students traveled to the Galapagos Islands looking for culture

By Laura Stanley  
STAFF WRITER

Over winter break, twenty-seven students and two professors visited the Galapagos Islands as part of a class curriculum.

"It was definitely the experience of a lifetime. The whole thing was like a dream, with sea lions and armed guards," sophomore biology major Shannon Gray said.

The Galapagos trip began on January 2nd and ended January 17th.

In order to attend the trip, students enrolled in Biology 520 last semester as a preparation course. The trip was registered as Biology 521. The trip and course counted together as 4 credits and satisfied the IP requirement for non-biology majors. Biology majors needed prerequisites of Bio 110 and 111 to achieve major credit. Dr. Compber and Dr. Balczon were co-instructors of 520 and 521.

"The class [520] gave us background information on what we would see," Gray said.

During fall semester, the class met for an hour and a half each week preparing for the trip. Topics of study included plants, reptiles, birds, mammals and insects.

"On the trip we got to see the things we learned about," Gray said.

During the two weeks, the group saw many of the Galapagos Islands, including Witches' Heel, Chinese Hat, San Cristobel and Santa Cruz, where the Darwin Research Center is located.

"We were in the Galapagos on two sixteen passenger yachts for the first week. The second week we were in Quito, Ecuador and the surrounding areas where we spent several days in a cloud forest, went to the valley of the Volcanoes and hiked up Cotapoxi, a 17,000-ft. snow capped volcanic mountain," Compber said. "We spent a night in Otavalo, a small town known for its native Indian market on Saturdays. We also did a lot of snorkeling and saw colorful exotic fish, such as parrot fish, and sargent major fish. In addition, we saw octopi, sea urchins, starfish, hermit crabs, ghost crabs and the bright orange Sally Lightfoot crab."

The cost of the Galapagos Trip was \$3,000.

"Financial Aid was very good about helping out with the money situation," Gray said. "It was well worth it."

"The islands were amazing," junior Environmental Science major Chrissy Zahniser said. "Quito was a little scary, but I think we pulled together as a group and made the most of it. The cloud forest was incredible.

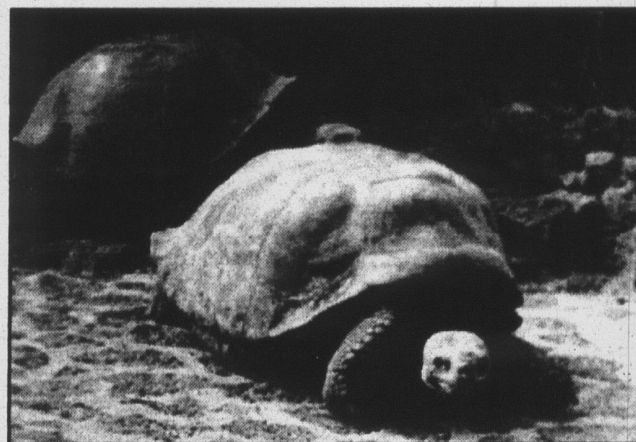
It was interesting to see the diversity on the islands. It was great to see the organisms we'd learned about all semester, but I didn't see any sharks or whales. I'd definitely recommend people going on trips like this."

On April 26th, a faculty forum will be held where Compber and Balczon will present a summary of the travel portion of the course. Students will also share their experiences and perspectives. The campus is welcome to attend but space may be limited.

Though the Galapagos Trip is not offered every year, the Biology Department offers one travel course per year.

"It was an incredible learning experience for me as well as the students," Balczon said. "I think students learned not only about the ecology of the islands, but learning about the culture opened eyes for students. It was an awesome experience."

"The most amazing part of the trip for me was seeing the abundance of life in the



Contributed Photo

Students had the opportunity to experience native animals and culture.

Galapagos," Compber said. "Animals have evolved such unique features in these volcanic islands, which are relatively young - between 1 and 5 millions of years old. Most of the animals do not fear humans and many come right up to you to visit. While snorkeling, sea lions will come up to your mask to check you out. You wonder who is looking at whom."

## 89FM adopts new formats

By Heather Salada  
STAFF WRITER

Campus radio station, 89FM, returns for the spring semester with four new pairs of morning show hosts.

Monday mornings, hosts Sara Bresnahan and Brian Miller kick off the week with humor to get students moving. These two veteran broadcast majors are planning events to make mornings lively. Weather and time permitting, Bresnahan and Miller would like to broadcast St. Patrick's Day festivities live from Quaker Steak and Lube in Sharon.

On Tuesday mornings, freshmen broadcasting majors Bobby Fisher and Jenna Swearingen are attempting their first run as morning show hosts. Erik Robbins and John Scott teamed up on Wednesday mornings for more crazy antics.

"I really enjoy hosting a morning show," Robbins said, "but getting up early is the hardest part."

A new show format is being tested Thursday mornings. Broadcast Communications department chair Dr. David Barner and broadcasting major Jeanie Insana host a show called "The Generation Gap."

Barner and Insana quiz each other and discuss world and campus events from their very different points-of-view.

Finishing out the week are returning Friday morning hosts Sam McKissick and Ryan Saeler.

Each morning show team has a basic format to follow while on the air. Pop/alternative music is played followed by ABC news at the top of each hour. Directly after ABC news, the DJs read two minutes of local news taken from the New Castle News or the AP wire computer service.

Local and campus sports as well as weather are frequently read throughout each broadcast. DJs also consult the Holcad and activities calendar to inform students of upcoming campus events.

Bresnahan thinks working on the morning show is good experience for her future in broadcasting.

"I worked at a radio station over Christmas. Their format was similar to ours, so I think I am gaining valuable knowledge for my career," Bresnahan said.

Each morning show runs from 6:30am until 9:00am and can be heard by tuning your radio to 88.9FM.

diverse thoughts and bring more collective thoughts together. He also hopes that more students will become exposed to diversity. The Culture Club's purpose will be to promote culture and diversity.

"The idea of the Culture Club is to create a rainbow coalition of color and of culture to be introduced and woven onto the social fabric of Westminster College by the common thread of love and acceptance," King said.

Along with beginning the club, King would like to get to know more of the students on campus. He wanted to stress that he is the Director of Multicultural Affairs and that the Multicultural Affairs department was created for all students not just minorities. Students are always welcome to visit Kings office.

"I work for the students. I hope that more white students would frequent my office with ideas and suggestions," King said.

Questions, ideas or concerns should be addressed to King at E. T. 7179 or campus mailbox 137.

## Mock Convention only 6 days away

By Melissa Wiley  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

With the Mock Convention only 6 days away, the executive committee, the state chairs, and the delegates are revving up their political spirit and starting to look at the issues.

Wednesday night brought many representatives from various state delegations to the platform debate. As members of the platform committee read aloud the convention's republican platform, numerous students voiced their concerns with issues raised including gay/lesbian issues, education, and abortion.

"It was great to see so many people at the debate," said Kathryn Clymer, platform committee member. "The issues raised gave us all a good feel for what issues will arise at the actual convention."

Now that the platform debates are finalized, the campus candidate campaigns begin to heat up.

Already, Meghan Duda, campaign manager for Steve Forbes, hosted a Super Bowl Party, and Christopher Nave, campaign manager for George W. Bush, treated those people attending the platform debate to cookies and punch. Mindy Falk, campaign manager for Gary Bauer, and Brad Linn, campaign manager for John McCain, also got in on the

action by hosting competing receptions on Thursday night.

"These events are fun, but it also gives the campaign managers a good opportunity to share their candidates views on the issues," said Julie Waszczak, executive chair.

The campaign managers will also have an opportunity to share their candidates' views on the issues in a debate among the managers to be held in Orr Auditorium on Sunday, Feb. 6 at 6:00 p.m. Following the debate will be a reception hosted by the Bush and McCain campaigns. All state chairs and delegates are encouraged to attend.

For those students who have yet to take the opportunity to join a state's delegation, opportunities still exist. State delegate sign-ups will take place in the TUB on Monday, Feb. 7 and Tuesday, Feb. 8 from 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. All students are encouraged to sign-up. For only \$5.00 delegates receive a FREE T-shirt and button complements of the executive committee. Faculty and staff interested in participating should contact Dr. Richard Sprow, faculty state chair.

Anyone with questions should call the mock convention office, extension 7129, e-mail the committee at mock@westminster.edu, or check out our web site at www.westminster.edu/jrhoads/Rhoads/home.html.

## Rev. King returns to campus

By Rebecca Galbraith  
STAFF WRITER

Phil King, director of multicultural affairs, has returned to campus after taking last semester off due to a potentially life threatening illness.

"I want to thank students and faculty for their concern and prayer," King said. "I received many cards, letters and phone calls. I also wanted to thank the campus community for the gracious way I was welcomed back, it was very touching to me."

King is very glad to back, not only because he is in good health, but because he is looking forward to the new semester.

King plans on starting a new club this semester, the Culture Club. His idea is to bring members from clubs such as Allies, BSU, SGA and the Asian Culture Club to form one club.

King hopes that by bringing these students together they will be able to bring more

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# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Racial discrimination still evident in local unemployment figures

By Anthony Todd Carlisle  
TRIBUNE-REVIEW

The country is feasting at the table of prosperity, and the region has a place to dine.

But local blacks, uninvited to the party, are making few gains, according to political, academic and community leaders.

African Americans are still high on the unemployment rolls, nearly invisible in corporate decision-making positions and under-represented on nonprofit boards.

"We've hardly made any progress in getting African-Americans more jobs," said Ralph Bangs, a University of Pittsburgh researcher.

Bangs, research associate for Pitt's Center for Social and Urban Research, said the city is

still among the worst for blacks when it comes to quality of life issues.

In 1997, the most recent year for which state Labor and Industry figures are available, blacks in the Pittsburgh metropolitan area had an unemployment rate of 10.8 percent, compared to 4.5 percent for whites.

The disparity mirrors a nationwide gap - in December, blacks had an unemployment rate of 7.9 percent compared to 3.5 percent for whites.

Bangs contends centuries of racism and discrimination are at the core of the problem.

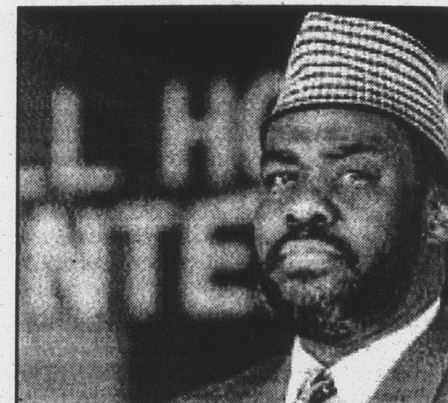
"We've had discrimination for centuries, which continued into the early 1990s on a large scale by public and private organizations," Bangs said. "There is no reason to believe white people have changed their atti-

tudes or behavior in the last few years."

Roberta Wilson, an industry and business analyst for the state Department of Labor and Industry's Center for Workforce Information and Analysis, believes that the strong economy has helped the black community.

"If unemployment is coming down overall, then every segment of that labor force has to be sharing in that," Wilson said. "It's hard to believe race is still an issue. I don't see why color should make a difference in the business market."

However, blacks' incomes lagged behind whites' incomes in 1998, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. Nationally, the median income for a white household was \$40,912 compared to \$25,351 for a black household.



AP File Photo

Ralph Bangs

### Rooney finally makes his mark in the ProFootball Hall of Fame



AP File Photo  
Dan Rooney, Joe Montana and Ronnie Hall were three of those who were inducted into the ProFootball Hall of Fame.

By Ed Bouchette  
POST-GAZETTE  
SPORTS WRITER

ATLANTA - When Pittsburgh's All-Catholic League football team was revealed in 1949, Dan Rooney of North Catholic was crushed that he made only second-team quarterback.

"All my teammates said, 'How in the world could this guy beat you out?' I thought the same thing."

The guy who beat out Rooney was St. Justin's Johnny Unitas.

Yesterday, Rooney finally caught up to Unitas when he joined him in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Rooney, 67, also joined his late father, Art, as only the second father-son Hall of Famers when he was elected as part of the five-man Class of 2000 by a 38-member panel of sports writers and broadcasters.

The group includes another Western Pennsylvania native, quarterback Joe Montana of Monongahela and Ringgold High School. Montana and former San Francisco 49ers teammate, safety Ronnie Lott, each made it in their first year of eligibility. Howie Long, a Raiders defensive end, made it on his

second try. Another former 49er, linebacker Dave Wilcox, was selected as a seniors committee candidate.

It was the third consecutive time Rooney had been a finalist, but he did not think this would be the charm. In fact, while Hall of Fame President John Bankert, in a nationally-televised news conference, read off the names of the inductees for the first time, Rooney wasn't even watching.

"I have to say this, I'm quite surprised, I didn't think I'd make it this year."

"It's great for me and it's great for my family. I hope it's something special for the fans of Pittsburgh. I really say, in all honesty, that their support down through the years has meant so much for the Steelers' organization."

### Fayette County courts cracking down on drunk driving offenders

By Lee Elby  
TRIBUNE-REVIEW

Drunken-driving offenders in Fayette County will soon find it very difficult to get behind the wheel and drive while intoxicated, District Attorney Nancy Vernon announced Monday.

During a demonstration at Vernon's office, Thomas Roth, president of Interlock Installation Services Ltd., showed how his company's product will help ensure drunken drivers convicted in Fayette County stay off the road.

Roth's blew into a tube connected to the computer portion of the device.

"If the defendant has been drinking, the device will detect it and the car will not start,"

Roth said. "In addition, the driver will be asked to repeat the test in about five to 15 minutes. This prevents the driver from starting the car and then beginning to drink. Another test will be given a short time later."

"One-third of all the cases we deal with are related to drunken driving," Vernon said. "This device will prohibit offenders from starting their vehicles if they have been drinking."

Vernon said Fayette County courts will use the interlock device in drunken driving cases adjudicated through plea bargains and the Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition program for first-time offenders.

Fayette County Judge John F. Wagner will be the first member of the county bench to implement the program.

Wagner said he had discussed the plan with the other judges and all agreed the program was worthwhile.

"It's like a little slap on the wrist every time they start their car," said Roth. "It reminds them they are being punished for driving while under the influence and tends to keep them from being a repeat offender."

People on probation are not permitted to drink alcohol, said Vernon. Not only will the device prevent someone from starting the car if alcohol is detected, it also will record the probation violation, she said.

Wagner said the General Assembly is considering a bill that would make use of the interlock device a state law.

"I commend the courage of District Attorney Vernon to take this step before it has

been passed by the legislature," said Wagner. "Nothing can stop drunken driving, but this is a very good effort to safeguard the public."

Cost of the installation and monitoring of the devices will be paid by the defendants. Each installation will be \$75. A \$75-per-month monitoring fee also will be imposed.

The device records every use of the offender's vehicle, and the results of all breath tests.

Tests in Maryland showed the alcohol traffic violation rate was significantly lower for participants in the interlock program compared to participants in other types of control programs, said Roth. The interlock program reduced the risk of alcohol traffic violations within the first year by 65 percent, he said.

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## NATIONAL

## Tragic Alaskan Airlines Flight 261 crash leaves no survivors

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) - Investigators trying to learn why an Alaska Airlines jet with 88 people plunged into the Pacific said Tuesday they have recovered four bodies and heard "pinging" from the ocean, apparently from the aircraft's flight recorders.

Officials hope data from the "black boxes" could provide key clues to Monday's crash of the MD-83 jetliner, including whether the airliner was brought down because of problems with a device that's supposed to stabilize the plane.

No survivors have been found.

Collins said the bodies recovered were those of an infant, two women and a man. He said the rescue mission would continue "until I determine there are no survivors."

"This is still a search for human life. The decision to stop searching is mine, mine to make, and it's a difficult one," Collins said during a news conference.

Meanwhile, Coast Guard ships, Navy vessels and a private boat combed the choppy sea about 10 miles off the Southern California coast for debris that could help explain what caused the jetliner to crash.

Before daylight, a 10-member team from the National Transportation Safety Board in Washington arrived at the scene to take over

the investigation.

Flight 261 from Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, to San Francisco and Seattle hit the water 4:36 p.m. Monday in what a witness described as a nose dive. The weather was clear at the time.

Moments before the crash, one of the two pilots radioed that he was having trouble with "stabilizer trim" and asked to be diverted to Los Angeles for an emergency landing, airline spokesman Jack Evans said.

On MD-80 series airplanes, the horizontal stabilizer looks like a small wing mounted on top of the tail. The stabilizer, which includes panels that pitch the nose up and down, is brought into balance, or "trimmed," from the cockpit.

If a plane loses its horizontal stabilizer, there is no way to keep the nose pointed to the proper angle, and the aircraft will begin an uncontrollable dive.

The plane fell 17,000 feet before being lost from radar screens, officials said. It crashed into an area 10 miles offshore in water 300 feet to 750 feet deep.

A National Park Service ranger on Anacapa Island, off the coast of Oxnard, saw the airliner go down and was first to report it, said spokeswoman Susan Smith at the Channel Islands National Park headquarters



AP File Photo

Alaskan Airlines Flight 261 called for an emergency landing before plummeting into the Pacific Ocean leaving no survivors.

in Ventura Harbor.

There were 83 passengers and five crew members aboard, Evans said. Thirty-two were bound for San Francisco, 47 for Seattle, three were continuing on to

Eugene, Ore., and one to Fairbanks, Alaska. The two pilots were based in Los Angeles and the three flight attendants were based in Seattle.

## The Nation In Brief

## Nine remain stuck in cars after avalanche

ANCHORAGE, Alaska - Blizzard conditions early Tuesday hampered efforts to rescue nine motorists whose vehicles remain buried by an avalanche that crashed onto a highway linking Anchorage and the Kenai Peninsula. Ten other motorists trapped in another avalanche on the same road had been rescued late Monday by a construction crew using a front loader. They were taken to a nearby lodge to rest, and none required immediate medical attention. Those still trapped used cell phones to tell troopers they were OK. Some hunkered down for a night in sleeping bags, while others were in a Volkswagen bus with a propane heater.

## Endeavour launch pushed back

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. - NASA delayed space shuttle Endeavour's launch by more than a week Tuesday morning in order to replace a computer that malfunctioned during the final minutes of the countdown. Engineers could not figure out why the computerized unit sent bad signals Monday, even though it passed a subsequent test. A NASA spokesman says shuttle managers are convinced the unit "must be replaced."

Liftoff has been delayed until at least Feb. 9. NASA hasn't started a shuttle mission on time since John Glenn's heralded return to orbit in October 1998.

## Legal struggle over Elian could drag on

WASHINGTON - If the Miami relatives of Elian Gonzalez choose to exhaust all legal options to keep the youngster in the United States, it could take months, if not years, to resolve the international custody battle. Federal officials say they have the authority to send the boy back to Cuba now. But they have committed to a legal fight that could drag on indefinitely. Justice Department officials have

indicated that they would rather let the dispute play out in court rather than risk an ugly scene in Miami: the forcible removal of

6-year-old Elian from the custody of his Miami relatives before all legal challenges have run their course.

## Engineers attempt to hear Mars Lander

PASADENA, Calif. - Engineers have another opportunity this week to contact NASA's Mars Polar Lander, nearly two months after the \$165 million craft disappeared descending to the planet's surface. The latest attempt to receive a signal from the lost probe failed Monday, but antennas around the world will turn their electric ears to the Red Planet again Friday in hopes of hearing a reply, space agency officials say. The search was renewed after Stanford University scientists said their antenna may have picked up a signal from the lander in December and January. The signals were so weak that nobody noticed until a review of recorded data several weeks later.

## Two arraigned for anti-gay assault on train

BOSTON - Two 15-year-old girls have pleaded innocent to charges stemming from an alleged sexual assault of a classmate they believed was a lesbian, authorities said. The pleas were entered Monday in juvenile court. A third Boston High School student, Nykesha Gant, 17, was scheduled to be arraigned as an adult Tuesday. The alleged attack happened Thursday, when five girls and a boy on a subway encountered a 16-year-old girl who had apparently been seen holding hands with another girl, authorities said. Some of the female students allegedly groped the girl, ripped her clothes and pointed at their genitals, shouting, "Do you like this? Is this what you like?" When the girl resisted, the boy pulled a knife, held it to her throat and threatened to slash her. The two 15-year-old girls

face charges that include assault with a dangerous weapon, attempted rape and civil rights violations.

## Navajos on Hopi land may face eviction

BIG MOUNTAIN, Ariz. - The feud has festered for more than a century. Lawsuits were filed, agreements worked out, deadlines set and ignored. And still the battle rages between Hopi and Navajo Indians over a desolate piece of earth both consider their own. Tuesday marks a turning point in the dispute: On paper, it is the day the government can begin eviction proceedings against about a dozen Navajo families who refuse to leave the land or sign a lease with the Hopis to allow them to stay.

## Illinois death penalty executions on hold

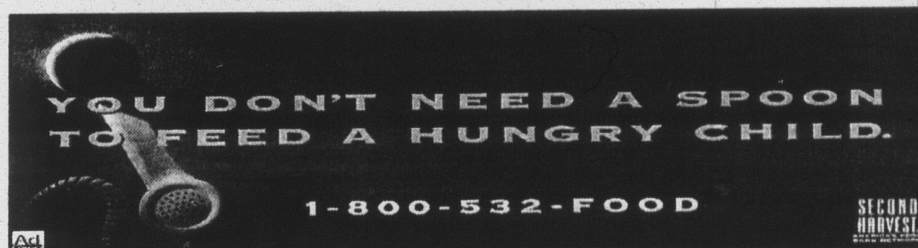
CHICAGO - Gov. George Ryan announced a moratorium on executions Monday and said he plans to appoint a panel to study the state's capital punishment system. The probe will focus on 13 death penalty cases that were overturned when the convicted person later was found innocent. Since Illinois' death penalty was reinstated in 1977, 13 death row inmates have been cleared - one more than the number of inmates the state has executed. "There's a problem in this system and it needs to be studied and we need to have some answers before we put any innocent people to death," Ryan said on CNN. "I want to make sure...that the person who goes to death is absolutely guilty."

## Amtrak rolls out high-speed train - late

BOSTON - Amtrak opened its new Acela high-speed rail service Monday connecting Boston, New York and Washington, a service that company officials say will reinvigorate rail travel - but it wasn't all smooth. The first train, delayed by an engine problem, left South Station 20 minutes late. Officials say the train would cut the five-hour trip to New York by an hour and eventually would trim the journey to three hours. Amtrak plans to eventually have as many as seven regional trains and 10 express trains, which are to debut later this year.

## Jury selection begins in Diallo trial

ALBANY, N.Y. - With protesters shouting "No justice, no peace!" outside and the dead man's parents sitting with the Rev. Al Sharpton inside, jury selection began Monday in the trial of four white New York City policemen charged with murdering an unarmed African immigrant in a hail of 41 bullets. The killing of Amadou Diallo touched off widespread demonstrations in New York, where protesters decried the shooting as another case of police brutality against minorities. Five jurors were selected Monday, and the first person picked, a black woman who once lived in the Bronx, will serve as forewoman.





## INTERNATIONAL

## Chinese agreements hopeful; will rely on China's behavior

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Senate Republican leader Trent Lott said on Tuesday Congress was likely to back a landmark trade agreement with China this year, but said tensions between Beijing and Taiwan and other disputes could torpedo the deal.

"China is going to have to watch its conduct," Lott told the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, a group lobbying Congress to approve a trade agreement that would open Chinese markets and clear the way for Beijing to join the World Trade Organization (WTO), which sets global trading rules.

But the majority leader added, "I think we're going to do it. I really think we're going to get it done this year."

In exchange for China reducing barriers in everything from agriculture to telecommunications, the Republican-controlled Congress must grant Beijing favorable access to U.S. markets, so-called permanent normal trade relations (NTR) status. China currently benefits from NTR, which must be renewed each year.

President Clinton, free-trade lawmakers and their allies in the business community

have launched an all-out campaign to convince Congress to approve permanent NTR, which would guarantee Chinese goods the same low-tariff access to U.S. markets as products from nearly every other nation.

Lott said it would be a difficult fight in an election year. Lawmakers have lashed out at China over escalating tensions with Taiwan. They are critical of Beijing's human rights record and its crackdown on the banned Falun Gong spiritual movement.

Beijing regards Taiwan as a renegade province and has threatened to invade the

island if it declares independence. Tensions have increased ahead of Taiwan's presidential election in March.

U.S. labor groups, traditionally allied with Clinton's Democratic party, launched their own grass-roots campaign against the trade pact that could put Vice President Al Gore in a political bind.

Gore, who is seeking the Democratic presidential nomination, is counting on labor's support at the polls in the November election.

US aggressively pursues 1998 Good Friday Peace agreement  
Suspension of the peace accord caused by failure to deliver IRA disarmament

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - President Clinton said on Tuesday the United States was "heavily involved" in trying to implement the 1998 Good Friday peace agreement in Northern Ireland.

Clinton said he had spoken to Britain's Prime Minister Tony Blair and Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams and was in constant con-

tact with the Irish and British governments.

Clinton refused to give details of his talks, saying public comments might do more harm than good.

"We are heavily involved in trying to get the Good Friday accords implemented and get the present process supported," he said. "It's working. And it would be a tragedy if it were

derailed. But in order to keep it going, everybody's going to have to - you know, honor the terms of the agreement."

Clinton's transatlantic consultations come amid worries that a report on the state of IRA guerrilla disarmament, due to be released on Tuesday, would say little progress had been made.

Northern Ireland First Minister David Trimble said in Belfast that suspension of the province's landmark peace accord was now inevitable because republicans had failed to deliver IRA disarmament. Sinn Fein, the IRA's political ally, strongly denied they had reneged.

## The World In Brief

## Barak: No peace talks with Syria

JERUSALEM - Prime Minister Ehud Barak said Monday that talks with Syria would not resume until it reined in the Hezbollah guerrilla army, a stance that would likely freeze U.S. efforts to revive the stalled negotiations. Hezbollah guerrillas blasted an Israeli patrol Monday with rocket-propelled grenades and machine-gun fire, killing three soldiers and wounding five others, Lebanese security officials said. The tough tone underscored the pressure Barak faces at home, where he is under fire in a campaign finance scandal. The intensification in the fighting comes as the United States is trying to bridge gaps that halted negotiations earlier this month.

## Wahid will ask Gen. Wiranto to resign

DAVOS, Switzerland - Indonesian President Abdurrahman Wahid said Monday that former army chief Gen. Wiranto should resign from the Cabinet because of allegations against him in a report on violence in East Timor. "He should resign at once," Wahid told reporters during a visit to the World Economic Forum. Wiranto is a powerful member of the Cabinet as political affairs and security minister. In a report to Indonesia's attorney general, the state-appointed panel on Monday accused Wiranto and 32 other officers of helping anti-independence militias wage a campaign of murder and destruction after East Timor voted Aug. 30 to break away from Indonesia. At the time, Wiranto was army chief.

## British doctor guilty of serial murders

PRESTON, England - A doctor was convicted Monday of murdering 15 of his female

patients, making him one of Britain's most prolific serial killers in modern times. Jurors deliberated six days before finding Dr. Harold Shipman, 54, guilty of injecting middle-aged and elderly women with lethal doses of heroin between March 1995 and July 1998. Shipman also was found guilty of forging the \$620,000 will of his last victim, Kathleen Grundy, 81. The judge sentenced Shipman to 15 life sentences - the maximum punishment in Britain, which has no death penalty. He received four years for forging the will. "You are a wicked, wicked man," the judge said. Shipman is suspected in numerous other murders, and Sky-TV reported that he could be charged with 23 more murders within days.

## Kenya Airways jet crashes with 179 aboard

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast - Guided by spotlights from helicopters, rescuers in boats are today scouring frigid waters for anyone who might still be alive after a Kenya Airways jet carrying 179 people slammed into the Atlantic Ocean about one minute after takeoff Sunday night. Cold ocean temperatures would make it difficult for anyone to survive after a few hours, officials say. At least 10 people survived. But by dawn, 14 bodies had been brought to shore. At least 80 more are coming in by boat, rescue workers say.

The plane, an Airbus 310, took off into relatively clear skies. Airline officials say the plane did not experience any significant technical problems.

## Court rejects Pinochet ruling challenge

LONDON - The High Court on Monday rejected a request by Belgium and six human rights groups to challenge the secrecy of the medical report that could free former Chilean

dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet. Home Secretary Jack Straw says he is inclined to let the 84-year-old general return home, saying an independent medical team found the former dictator mentally unfit to stand trial on charges of human rights abuses. Kay said he denied the request "conscious that my decision is unavoidably adverse to people who have suffered."

## Albright in Moscow to size up Putin

MOSCOW - Set to size up Vladimir Putin and to push for an easing of restrictions on antimissile defenses, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright hopes to convince the acting Russian president that his government faces greater isolation if it keeps pounding Chechnya. She began today meeting with Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov, who has heard Albright outline the U.S. view in a number of telephone calls and meetings. "There is no question the war in Chechnya is popular," Albright told reporters on her flight here Sunday night from Switzerland. "But he is riding a tiger" by pushing the military offensive against rebels in the republic.

## USA, North Korea talks announced

MOSCOW - Accelerating an improvement in relations, North Korea will send a senior official to Washington in March for high-level talks with the Clinton administration, the State Department said Sunday. The visit is designed to match talks former Defense Secretary William Perry held in Pyongyang last year as a special Clinton administration emissary. North Korea's deputy foreign minister and U.S. Envoy Charles Kartman reached agreement for the North Korean visit during talks in Berlin that

ended Friday. The agreement is another step in U.S. efforts to neutralize North Korea's nuclear weapons program.

## Israeli official: Jerusalem could be 'shared'

JERUSALEM - A top Israeli government official suggested Sunday that Jerusalem could be shared with the Palestinians - the first time Israel has indicated willingness to compromise on one of the thorniest issues keeping the sides from concluding a permanent peace agreement. Deputy Defense Minister Ephraim Sneh said Jerusalem's municipal boundaries could be expanded to accommodate Palestinian aspirations for a presence in the city. Israel captured traditionally Arab east Jerusalem in the 1967 Mideast war, and Israeli governments have pledged never to divide the city. Palestinians claim the eastern part of the city as their capital.

## Barak meets with Egypt's president

CAIRO, Egypt - Prime Minister Ehud Barak went looking for help from Egypt's president Sunday to revive a flagging Middle East peace process, while Israelis and Palestinians launched intensive talks in a last-ditch bid to meet a deadline for a peace treaty framework. The Israelis and Palestinians have set an ambitious Feb. 13 deadline for an outline of a final accord. Negotiators met secretly for two hours Sunday in an undisclosed location. In Cairo, meanwhile, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak indicated he would do his best to try to prod along the Israeli-Palestinian dialogue, according to a senior Israeli official in Barak's delegation. Mubarak, seeking to protect his role as a Mideast peacemaker, often acts as a broker when talks are in trouble.



# YOUR HEALTH

## Low blood pressure links passing out to alcohol consumption

DALLAS (AP) - Scientists say they have learned part of the reason why some people pass out when they stand up after drinking alcohol: lower blood pressure and wider blood vessels.

Two or three beers on average is enough to impair the body's ability to maintain a steady blood pressure, according to a 1999 study believed to be the first to explain the cardiovascular effects of drinking.

Those changes impair the body's ability to pump fresh blood to the brain, said Dr. Virend Somers, a co-author of the study published today in the journal *Circulation*. As a result, drinkers who suddenly stood up often felt lightheaded and sometimes fainted.

How alcohol causes those changes is unknown, said Somers, a cardiologist at the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota. He suggested the alcohol could be blunting the nerve signal sent

from the brain to the vessel, or the alcohol was preventing the blood vessel from constricting.

Dr. Richard Lange, a professor of internal medicine at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center who was not affiliated with the study, said the research was the first to define why fainting may occur after drinking.

"It's more than just being inebriated. This explains in a very mechanical fashion on how

alcohol can cause someone's blood pressure to fall," said Lange.

In the 1999 study, 18 healthy men and one woman averaging age 26 were given the equivalent of two to three beers.

Each participants' blood pressure dropped after the drinks. Somers said none of the subjects passed out during the study, but several became lightheaded.

## Avocados may encourage romance

### BUSINESS WIRE

The California avocado is considered to be an aphrodisiac by 63 percent of those experts surveyed.

Six out of 10 psychologists, nutritionists and scientists surveyed also said they know of a case in which a person's love life improved after eating the dark, green fruit. The respondents said they believe it could be nutrients and recently discovered phytochemicals within the avocado that explain the fruit's reputation as a strong aphrodisiac.

These are the latest findings of a Valentine's Day survey conducted by the California Avocado Commission to find out if the rumored aphrodisiac qualities of avocados — a rumor dating back as far as the Aztecs and Mayans around 200 B.C. — holds true.

"We really have no scientific explanation why the avocado elicits enhanced feelings of romance or love, but we've heard over the years that there may be some sort of link," explained Mark Affleck, president of the California Avocado Commission. California is home to 95 percent of the nation's avocado crop.

Legend has it that the first avocado was eaten in Mexico by a Mayan princess around 291 B.C. It is believed that the Aztecs used the

avocado as a sexual stimulant. Later, early Americans called the avocado an "alligator pear" to describe the fruit's texture, another possible explanation for its reputation as an aphrodisiac.

Likely explanations by respondents in this non-scientific survey, are that ounce per ounce, an avocado contains the highest fiber content and more folate per ounce than other fruits. It's also nutrient dense in vitamins B6, C and E. Also, the phytochemical profile of the California avocado includes cholesterol-lowering beta-sitosterol and the antioxidant glutathione. At least one doctor surveyed suggested that these favorable phytochemicals may work in combination with the nutrients in other foods to enhance heightened feelings of love and romance.

For Valentine's Day, the California Avocado Commission is providing a special "lovers" feast along with an ancient Mayan recipe for "California Avocado Massage Oil" to encourage feelings of passion.

A year-round fruit, California avocados are delicious hot or cold, in soups, salads, stir-frys and as a healthier alternative to butter, sour cream and other dips and spreads. Avocados are cholesterol-free, sodium-free, low in saturated fat and a good source of monounsaturated fat, which studies show may help in the prevention of heart disease.

## Family Planning Services of Mercer County

Are you or someone you know infected or affected with HIV or AIDS? If so, the Mercer County AIDS Service Program offers free and confidential case management services. These services include referrals to medical specialist, emergency funding to assist with specific HIV/AIDS related costs and monthly support groups.

The AIDS Service Program can also answer questions by phone, related to HIV/AIDS transmission, prevention and symptoms. For reports or projects, information involving the latest statistics can be mailed to individuals upon request. HIV educators are also available to present instruction, training and or consultations to local schools, businesses or civic organizations.

The AIDS Service Program also has a computer with Internet access to obtain the most current information on HIV/AIDS disease and treatments as well as HIV/AIDS prevention and education. It will be by appointment only.

Individuals interested in being tested for HI can receive a free, confidential test at Family Planning's sexually transmitted disease clinic. The clinic is held every Tuesday night beginning at 5:30. Results take approximately 14 days to receive.

Both Family Planning and the AIDS Service Program can be reached by calling 981-1671 Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 a.m.

## Health Briefs

### Antidepressants and marijuana don't mix

A Canadian family doctor reports that an interaction between tricyclic antidepressants and marijuana can produce a life-threatening arrhythmia. His patient, a 17-year-old boy, had been prescribed 25 mg of amitriptyline to help him sleep and alleviate some of his depression. A week after filling the prescription the boy showed up in the emergency ward with a supraventricular tachycardia rate of 300 beats per minute. He had been smoking marijuana the evening and night before. The doctor speculates that the amitriptyline and marijuana interacted to produce the arrhythmia and cautions against prescribing tricyclic antidepressants to adolescents who have a potential for drug abuse.

### British Columbia approves Traditional Chinese Medicine

The British Columbia government has given formal approval to the establishment of a new College of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture Practitioners of BC. The new college will be a self-regulating entity and its members recognized health professionals in BC. The BC College of Physicians and Surgeons welcomes the move towards establishing professional standards for alternative practitioners. Other medical associations call the decision a dangerous precedent which could impact on conventional physicians monopoly on providing "officially recognized" health care.

### European Union contemplates salt labeling

The European Union is coming under increasing pressure to force food manufacturers to provide clear labels stating how much salt their products contain. Salt intake is particularly high in the United Kingdom where adults consume on average 10 grams per day, 80 per cent of it from processed food. Dr. Graham McGregor of St. George's Hospital in London is convinced that excessive salt intake is the main cause of high blood pressure and that thousands of lives could be saved if levels in processed foods were reduced. He argues that the food industry "uses salt to give flavour to tasteless ingredients, to bulk up products cheaply, and to sell more drinks to people who eat salty snacks." Mandatory salt labeling is already in force in Australia and the United States and apparently has induced some food processors to cut their salt levels.

### Farmers in the United States sue Monsanto

A group of American farmers has

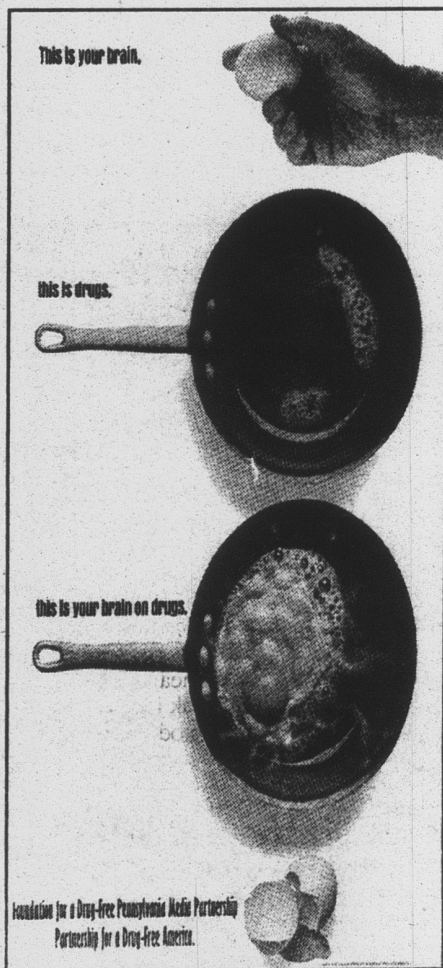
launched a class action suit against Monsanto and other biotechnology companies. The suit alleges that the companies conspired to take over the seed trade and pushed biotech crops to market without adequate environmental and health testing. Specifically, the suit claims that Monsanto, using its biotechnology patents, coordinated with other biotech companies such as DuPont to fix prices and force farmers into using genetically engineered seed.

### Brain chemicals unmasked

Neuroscientists at the University of New Mexico have discovered that two brain chemicals appear to have a direct effect on intelligence. The researchers measured the brain levels of N-acetyl-aspartate (NAA) and choline in 26 healthy college students and then subjected them to an IQ test. Students with low levels of choline and high levels of NAA scored significantly higher on the IQ test than did students with low NAA levels and high choline levels. NAA is found only in neurons and is thought to contribute to their healthy functioning while choline is present in the nerve cell membranes and is believed to be essential for the repair of damaged nerve cells. The researchers speculate that a low NAA level and a high choline level indicates a high rate of neuron damage and a subsequent decline in IQ and cognitive function. They suggest that it may be possible to improve intellectual performance by manipulating NAA and choline levels with supplements.

### Air fresheners can make you sick

New evidence suggests that air fresheners are bad for babies and pregnant women. Epidemiologists at the University of Bristol surveyed 14,000 pregnant women and discovered that those who used an aerosol or air freshener most days suffered 25 per cent more headaches than those who used them less than once a week. Frequent users also experienced a 19 per cent increase in postnatal depression. Young babies (less than six months old) who were exposed to air fresheners most days were found to suffer 30 per cent more ear infections and 22 per cent more instances of diarrhea than babies who were exposed less than once a week. Air fresheners and aerosols contain toxic organic compounds such as xylene, ketones, and aldehydes which may weaken the body's defences by making the skin more permeable. Another study at an indoor air pollution conference in Edinburgh reported that mice exposed to the vapours from a solid air freshener experienced breathing difficulties.





# SPORTS

## Titans drop below .500 in GLIAC after loss to Mercyhurst



Photo by Courtney Behm  
Andy Wormsley gets ready to start the offense in the Titan's game against Ashland.

By Chris Comtois  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan men's basketball team dropped to 10-8 overall and 5-6 in the GLIACs on Saturday after a 81-69 loss to league foe Mercyhurst College.

The first half saw six lead changes and three ties, as Mercyhurst went into the locker room with a two-point advantage.

"We were very pleased with our defensive effort in the first half but also disappointed that we had not been able to generate more offensively," Head Coach Jim Dafler said. "We felt if we were able to sustain our defense in the second half and pick up our game offensively we would be in good shape, unfortunately we did not play well defensively or offensively to start the second half."

The Lakers took control from the start of the second half by going on a 23-6 run in the

first 8:39 of the half to give them a 19-point lead. The Titans got as close as eight points with 1:38 to play but got no closer as Mercyhurst held on for the win.

"It was a disappointing loss," Andy Wormsley said. "We have an uphill battle to make it to the playoffs now."

Five Lakers recorded double-digit scoring efforts lead by Dion Brown with 19 points. Henry Klinaar was the top scorer for the Titans with 22 points. Klinaar also added nine rebounds to go along with his game high 22 points. Klinaar has now scored in double figures in 28 consecutive games dating back to last season. Juniors Chad Phillips and Andy Wormsley added 20 and 17 points, respectively, in the loss for the Titans.

"We are not out of the playoff picture yet," Dafler said, "but we need to produce some wins quickly if we are going to make it."

## Fairmont State no match for both Titan swim teams

By Wendy Hamilton  
STAFF WRITER

The men's and women's swimming teams continued their regular season success by defeating Fairmont State University last Saturday. The Titan men defeated Fairmont by a score of 112.5 to 86.5 to improve their record to 7-1. The Lady Titans defeated Fairmont by a score of 97 to 69, also improving their record to 7-1.

The men began the meet on a positive note with a great comeback swim in the 400 medley relay to tie Fairmont for first place. Jim Mann, Kurt Rothhoff, Craig Guthoerl and Chris Giles were members of the relay.

"It was the last great warm-up before the final run at GLIAC's," senior captain David Gesacion said. "Overall it was a great team effort after a hard week of practice."

Other first place winners were Richard King in the 100 freestyle, Gesacion in the 50 freestyle, Seth Bontrager in the 200 individual medley and Rothhoff in the 200 breaststroke. The men finished strong with a first place finish in the 400 freestyle relay. Members of the relay were Gesacion, King, Aaron Francis and Brian Lytle.

The Lady Titans remained strong throughout the entire meet posting nine first place finishes. Tara Crawford, Stefanie King, Tina Proudfoot and Amanda Zelechowski got the

Titans off to a great start by placing first in the 400 medley relay.

"We swam really well for being so torn down", sophomore Karen Faulhaber said. "As the season winds down the hard practices will pay off at the GLIAC championships."

Other first place finishes were posted by Gretchen Burwinkel in the 1000 freestyle, Stephanie Dawson in the 50 freestyle, Amanda Olinger in the 200 individual medley, Proudfoot in the 200 butterfly, Susie Kenyon in the 100 freestyle, Karen Faulhaber in the 200 backstroke and King in the 200 breaststroke.

The women finished off their defeat by placing first in the 400 freestyle relay consist-

ing of Olinger, Kenyon, Dawson and Jaime Sell.

Head Coach Rob Klamut felt that the overall meet was very successful and that the future of both teams looks very promising.

"As we prepare for the championship portion of our season it was nice to see some fast times, and the team coming together and doing the technical things better than they have all year," Klamut said. "As we're adjusting our training to head into the final phase of the season, the swimmers times are starting to drop which is our ultimate goal."

## Despite close games, the Lady Titans drop three GLIAC wins to Ashland, Mercyhurst and Gannon

By Kate McKenzie  
STAFF WRITER

The Lady Titan basketball team came up short this past week against Gannon, Mercyhurst and Ashland, adding three more losses to their record. All three GLIAC rival teams overpowered Westminster due to injuries and a shortage of substitutions.

In the first half of the Gannon game, the Lady Titans gave the Golden Knights a run for their money, going to the locker rooms only down by six points. With the loss of two important players, Westminster had a hard time keeping up in the second half. Both Amy Nansen and Teal Ganster were out of the game due to injuries sustained earlier in the season. The ladies were struggling underneath due to the lack of height, allowing Gannon to snatch up many rebounds.

"Our defense is getting a lot better," Coach Reddinger said. "We are missing our two girls on down on the post, but our girls are holding their own. I give them a lot of credit."

Despite Gannon's height advantage, sophomore Robin Thayer shot seven of nine from the field, adding fourteen points for

Westminster. Senior Becky Snyder also contributed ten points in the game. Unfortunately, their efforts were not enough to pull out a win as the Lady Titans fell to Gannon 76-41.

The Titans then traveled to Erie to take on Mercyhurst in another GLIAC challenge, hoping to boost their record. After a rough first half, the Lady Titans trailed as much as eleven points, but still had some energy to put up a fight.

Westminster went on a 21-11 run, thanks to the freshman combination made up of Samor Himes and Jen Petures. "Our shooting percentage is in the 30's right now. It would be ideal to get it up to the high 40's. That could make the difference, and we're getting there," Coach Reddinger said. The Lady Lakers were only up 31-30 at halftime, but still holding onto their lead.

Both teams came back strong into the second half, but Mercyhurst eventually took control of the game. After Westminster's defense couldn't hold the Lakers from getting ahead, Mercyhurst's offensive power never quit. They held a steady lead for the rest of the game, defeating Westminster 71-50.

The Lady Titans suffered another loss to

their record against the Ashland Eagles, despite the home court advantage. Ashland had a powerful team, but their victory was not an easy one. Leading by thirteen by halftime, Westminster knew they had to come back with a plan to get back in it.

At the midpoint of the second half, the Lady Titans tied it up at 41-41, with Himes leading the Titans with her first "double double" with 10 rebounds and 16 points. Petures gave her share on offense, contributing 16. But the close score didn't last long as the Eagle's superior shooting put them so far ahead that the Lady Titans couldn't keep up.

"They're shooting percentage was better than ours in the second half. It was a good game and an excellent effort by our girls,



Photo by Courtney Behm  
Coach Jan Reddinger discusses the team's strategy with Kylie Johnson.

especially with all the injuries we have," sophomore Desiree Henry said.

These three GLIAC losses leave the team with a record of 15-3. The Lady Titans are looking for a win as they travel to Wayne State on Saturday.



## Westminster, meet your 1999-2000 Student-Athlete Advisory Council

Providing student-athletes with an opportunity to effectively communicate with the athletic department, the Student-Athlete Advisory Council also organizes campus-wide educational programs and encourages academic achievement, health promotion and social responsibility.

The council is made up of one representative from each varsity sport on campus. These members are chosen by their coaches and must maintain academic eligibility, attend monthly meetings and work to serve the purposes of the council during their term of appointment.

Council officers are:

President -- junior Jamie Reddinger  
Vice President -- sophomore Andrew Rudloff  
Secretary -- senior Missy Lewellyn  
Treasurer -- sophomore Meredith Etcher  
GLIAC representative -- junior Andy McKissick

Athletic Director Jim Dafler and Assistant Athletic Director Tammy Swearingen attend all meetings and advise the council. They and all council members are willing to listen to your ideas. If you have any comments or ideas concerning campus issues and health and fitness, feel free to contact the Student-Athlete Advisory Council.

## Was this the Best Super Bowl ever?

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

It is what everyone has been talking about this week, and if you missed it, you may have missed the most intense and exciting Super Bowl ever.

There haven't been many Super Bowls as tense in the end. Jim O'Brien's field goal to beat Dallas in Super Bowl V ranks high, though. The thrilling near-comeback by the Tennessee Titans showed that they are a team that is here to stay.

Tennessee tied the score at 16 on Al Del Greco's 43-yard field goal and seemed to have the momentum. However, Rams' QB Kurt Warner, under pressure from Tennessee rookie Jevon Kearse, found Isaac Bruce one-on-one with cornerback Denard Walker at the Titans 40. Bruce made the catch and cut inside to free safety Anthony Dorsett to find a clear route to the end zone. The Titans, trying to become the third wild-card qualifier to win the Super Bowl, went 87 yards in the final seconds. They needed 88.

The Titans led in many categories, including total first downs, third down efficiency, fourth down efficiency (at 100%), net yards rushing, total rushing plays, average gain per rushing play, punts and time of possession.

Unfortunately for the Titans, passing was the area where the Rams had the lead. The Rams completed 24 passes, compared to the Titans' 22, and two of those passes were for their touchdowns. Both Titans' touchdowns were on drives.

Warner completed passes for 414 yards (a Super Bowl record), while the Titans' QB, Steve McNair, only completed for 214 yards. Surprisingly, Super Bowl XXXIV had no turnovers by a fumble or interception. Warner's 414 yards earned him the MVP honor, breaking Joe Montana's Super Bowl record by 57 yards. Of that, 73 came on the pass to Bruce for the 23-16 win.

The Rams' red zone inefficiency was in stark contrast to the team's regular-season work. They finished first in the NFC and second in the NFL in red zone efficiency, scoring touchdowns on 66.1 percent of their 56 red zone excursions. But in the end, they had just enough...just enough to complete one of the most dramatic turnarounds in the NFL, from 4-12 in 1998 to Super Bowl champs in 2000.

The loss had to be a crushing blow for Tennessee QB McNair, who rallied his team from a 9-0 halftime deficit and a 16-0 deficit with 7:20 left in the third quarter. McNair rushed eight times for 64 yards.

"I told him not to forget this moment, because we'd be back here," Titans coach Jeff Fisher said. "He's got the heart of a champion. I credit Kurt Warner for the big play, or it's a different ballgame. We got within six inches of having an overtime."

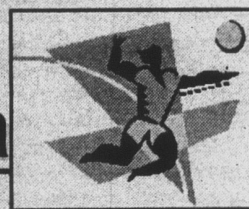
Mike Jones had the ultimate game-saving tackle last Sunday. It was a Super Bowl-saver. Jones stuffed Kevin Dyson and the Tennessee Titans on Super Bowl XXXIV's final play, clinching St. Louis' 23-16 win Sunday in the Georgia Dome.

"You dream of making the game-winning interception and taking it the other way, but not anything like this," Jones said. "I knew I was at the 2 or 3 yard line, and the only way [Dyson] was going to get in the end zone was a missed tackle. So I thought to myself, 'Wrap this guy up and we've won the game.'"

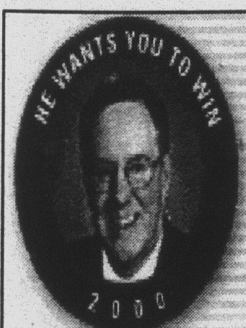
It was a fitting conclusion to two of the wildest minutes in Super Bowl history.



## Westminster College 2000 Intramural Program



SPORT	DIVISION	ENTRIES DUE	CAPTAIN'S MEETING	COMPETITION DATE
Indoor Soccer	M/W	Feb 7th	Feb 9th 4pm	Feb 10,12, 13, 17, 21
Volleyball	M/W	March 6th	March 20th 4pm	March 20-23
Racquetball	M/W	Feb 28th	March 1st 4pm	March 1-6
Soccer 7 v 7	Coed	April 6th	April 7th 4pm	April 8th 10am-4pm
Tennis	M/W	April 1st	April 10th 4pm	April 11-13



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# OPINION

## Question of the week

**What events or activities would you like to see on campus?**

**Shannon Gray**, sophomore  
"Talent shows. I like to see people loosen up."

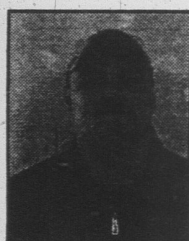


**Erin Clemens**, junior  
"I would like to see a faculty talent show. I've seen them done at other schools and I've always found them amusing."

**Chris Fleissner**, sophomore  
"A swing dance sponsored by SGA would be nice."



**Beth Love**, junior  
"More concerts. Bands - both from off and on-campus."



**Andrew Parshall**, senior  
"I would like to see more performers that appeal to a college audience."

**Joe Kurtz**, senior  
"I'd like to see people attend the events we already have on campus."



**Sarah Malanowsky**, sophomore  
"Carnivals! With rides and a petting zoo."



**Monica Dunn**, sophomore  
"Co-ed mud-wrestling."

**Brennen Weidl**, junior  
"More intramural activities. Like a golf team...a bowling league...3 on 3...lawn darts and bocce."



## OUR VIEW: Empty your suitcase

It's the middle of the week and you look out your window. What do you see (besides snow of course)? Nothing. The campus is deserted.

So, you go to the fieldhouse looking for something to do and wondering where everyone is. A few people sit in the stands of the basketball game, but the vacancy still leaves you wondering where everyone is.

The reason you don't see anyone is because very few people do anything or get involved in anything. The people that are involved, are involved in everything.

The weekends are not much better. We have been labeled a suitcase campus. Except for the fraternity parties on Fridays and Saturdays, the campus looks and is deserted.

The exceptions of course are pickup weekends, VolleyRock and sometimes Homecoming weekend. However, even then, it's the same people that attend every year.

Please don't misinterpret what we are saying. This is not a plea for help from the overachievers of Westminster College. We are very happy to be involved in everything. However, we also encourage others to share in our blissful madness.

Before we make suggestions about improving the array of campus involvement options, we first express one last resort plea for students to get involved in the activities already present on this campus. For those with self-motivated passion, this campus offers many opportunities to be active.

In fairness to the students we admit to hearing many complaints that CPC doesn't sponsor anything that the students want to see. However, that is because in the past, students

have shown little interest in the activities they do bring.

We would like to propose the development of an activities board, separate from SGA or any other organization to specifically focus on events on campus. The Down Under Committee, CPC and other similar organizations would fall under this board.

Funding of course is a question. But where does our Student Activities money go? Why not to here? Or what about charging a small

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admission to big events?

Within this organization, students would be able to think of, organize and plan activities to inspire student involvement. It would incorporate other activities on campus, such as athletic events, and make them more appealing. Their primary goal would be to attract students. A think tank of sorts.

This Activities Board would be comprised of student representatives from all organizations but would also have it's own standing committee. A public relations task force of sorts, the organization would try to find creative, low budget ways to encourage students to get out of their rooms on weekdays and

keep them on campus during the weekends.

For example, the board could organize a Midnight Madness basketball game for the opening of the girl's and guy's seasons. And what about winter activities?

With the exception of VolleyRock in the spring, the campus lacks a large event to bring everyone together.

This year we have the Mock Convention but very few students are excited to be involved. Lack of comprehension of the event

can be blamed because even some of the people who are involved don't completely understand what is going on.

That brings up another point: lack of advertising. The new Student Activities Board would have more time to organize and strategize advertising tactics without taking away from another organization.

This is the problem with the current Student Activities Board. As a branch of SGA, they are limited in the time they spend on such activities because they have to also allot time to Student Government activities.

This board could also act as an attraction for incoming students. Perspective students are more prone to choose a college that will fulfill their social as well as academic interests.

This is a challenge, ladies and gentlemen for Westminster. It's time that we find more things to do rather than pack up and go to other college's or home to find entertainment. Instead of complaining about how there's nothing to do, why don't we create more student oriented activities. It's time to empty our suitcases.

## EDITORIAL CARTOON



### Do you have an opinion? LET US HEAR IT!

If you have an opinion to voice about any campus related topic, write a letter to the editor. Letters should be turned into the Holcad no later than Monday at noon, and they will appear in the following Friday edition. Please limit your letters to 300 words or less. Also, be sure they are typed and include the name of the author(s).

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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

As I returned to school this semester, I was greeted with a slap in the face discovering that the intramural basketball league had been reduced to 9 days. If you were to take a survey amongst students, intramural basketball would have ranked among the most popular activities. I feel as though the gentleman in charge of intramurals is biased towards soccer, and not in touch with what the students want. Two weeks of intramural soccer, are you kidding me?

When I decided to attend a college that charges roughly 20,000 dollars tuition per student, I figured that it would at least have the funds to sponsor a decent intramural system. Is this colleges intramural system in "tune" with the other local liberal arts colleges? Do they only field a 9-day intramural basketball season? I think not. The decline started with no I.M. softball last spring, and continued its downward spiral by eliminating razzle-football this fall.

However, Matt Martin and myself are not going to let intramural basketball go down without a fight. Thanks for listening.

Sincerely,

Brian C. Rigby, Matthew C. Martin, and Christopher N. Roscoe

## Weird and strange news

### Slightly off center... Teachers loses temper in classroom

KENT, Ohio - This time, it was the teacher who was caught tossing erasers. When his students couldn't grasp a math concept, instructor Ludvik Janos lost his temper and started throwing erasers around the classroom, Kent State University officials say. Janos, 77, has been removed from his basic probability and statistics class and university officials haven't decided when he will be allowed to return, a Kent State spokeswoman said. University officials said the Czechoslovakian-born teacher who has lived in the United States for seven years became frustrated when the 35 students in his class didn't understand a math concept.

### Robber leaves incriminating evidence

WEST MEMPHIS, Ark. - It wasn't hard for police to find the suspect in a café robbery: He left in a wheelchair and wrote a threatening note on the back of his personal check. The man made a gesture as though he were hiding a gun under his jacket, police said, and the waitress quickly gave him \$120. He quickly wheeled out of the restaurant. Police tracked down the suspect at a nearby motel, who jumped up and took off running. Police were able to capture the suspect, but they already had a pretty good idea who he was. The note he allegedly passed to the waitress was on the back of a personalized check bearing his name, address and telephone number. Edward Bohanon, 42, was charged with aggravated robbery.

### Don't mess with a camel in a bad mood

SANDY, Utah - Stinker finally lived up to her name. The usually calm camel who has lived in the corral at La Caille restaurant for about six years attacked owner Steven Runolfson, pinning him to the ground. The 2,000-pound camel had bitten Runolfson's friend, Keith Keikel, when the restaurant owner jumped in to intervene. That's when Stinker became really angry. A stick was used to pry the camel away and free Runolfson, who suffered eight broken ribs and a partially collapsed lung. Doctors expect him to make a full recovery. Caretakers say the incident was out of character for Stinker.

### Limo tab leads to time behind bars

EVERETT, Wash. - No more limousine larks for Robert Wheeler Jr. Limo. Drivers in the Seattle-Everett area now know who he is and are wise to his tricks, said the operator of A Fine Ride Limousine in Mill Creek. Snohomish County prosecutors said Wheeler ran up the bill after claiming to be from an

investment company and asking the limo company to pick him up at a restaurant. Wheeler said that if there was any problem with payment, his investment company would foot the bill because he was "a valued customer." That got Wheeler a set of fancy wheels for more than two weeks. At his sentencing on a theft charge, Wheeler apologized and blamed his behavior on a drinking problem. He was handed a five-month jail term.

### Governor driving with expired license

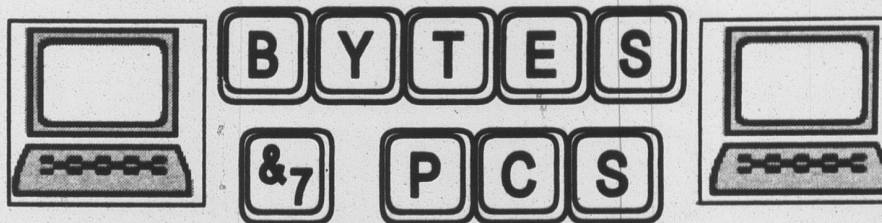
BOZEMAN, Mont. - The jig is up for Gov. Marc Racicot. The governor's office confirmed that he has been driving with an expired license since last July and plans to take both the written and driving tests. Racicot's driver's license expired on his 51st birthday - July 24, 1999. The three-month grace period has expired. "The governor said he completely did not realize it," a spokeswoman told the Billings Gazette. Racicot, a Republican, drives a state-owned car.

### Canines get shock of their lives

NEW YORK - Leaking electricity on a Manhattan street corner gave new meaning to the term "hot dog." Jane Colton was walking her Dalmatians when the sidewalk delivered a sudden shock to one of them. Spotty stepped near a lamppost outside the front door and began yelping and skittering. She was not the only canine victim. "My neighbor's poodle, named Madagascar, was doing the Mexican hat dance," Colton said. An emergency crew for utility Con Edison found frayed wires from two lampposts were feeding current through the wet sidewalk - only about six volts, but enough to deliver a shock to any canine not fortunate enough to have doggie boots.

### Protesters charged for tossing phony money

NEW YORK - Some people say City Hall can be a circus - perhaps more so on some days than others. Two protesters from People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals tossed phony money into the air at City Hall just inches from Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, who was accepting the title Ringmaster for Life from a real ringmaster and clowns from Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus. "That was not part of the show," Giuliani said, smiling as the chanting pair was dragged from the room. "But maybe it is in New York City, part of the show." The protesters, identified by PETA as Luke Downing, 20, of Lincoln, Neb., and Arathi Jayaram, 23, of Norfolk, Va., were charged with trespassing and disorderly conduct.



How many times have you been tempted to download an MP3 file (music) from the internet? Your favorite artist has a new hit and you want to play it and share it with friends. If you go to a commercial site on the internet, you will usually find an option for purchasing a copy of the song. You enter your credit card information and you are allowed to download the music. No problem.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



## Ash

There are three elements necessary to do a proper brodie. The first, of course, is a car. The second is snow, and the third is a large open space. When these elements are all in place the fun may commence. There is a fine art to the brodie especially if the car is front-wheel drive, for the brodie must be done in reverse. Well, this art was perfected by me and my esteemed colleague and movie reviewer, "Basher" at the movie theatre parking lot. There's nothing like seeing the world spinning around as you narrowly miss hitting parked cars, as well as no better preparation for the viewing of a movie, especially one entitled *The Hurricane*...

Well, *The Hurricane* doesn't directly deal with hurricanes of the natural disaster sort, but more of the prize fightin' boxing type. Rubin "Hurricane" Carter (Denzel Washington) is a middleweight boxer who was first in line for the crown. However, before achieving this goal, he and a friend of his John Artis are pulled over by the police and are accused and finally wrongly convicted of murdering three people in a Lafayette Bar and Grill.

Carter is sent to jail for three times his natural life. It is here in a jail cell that Carter writes his autobiographical book "The Sixteenth Round." Time jumps forward to the 80s where Lesra Martin (Vicellous Reon Shannon) is attending a book sale and by happenstance purchases Carter's book. Martin is a black youth from Brooklyn, living in Toronto with a woman and two men who have charitably decided to help him get to college.

Everything seems a bit overwrought, such as the evil police chief Della Pesca (a fictitious character) who seems to have a vendetta out for Carter and the strange relationship between the Canadians and Lesra. These things are just too picture perfect and, left inadequately explained.

The family is cheesy beyond comprehension and is the impetus for many weak and unfunny "Canada" jokes throughout the film. However, it is this "charitable" group who begins corresponding with Carter and eventually works to compile the evidence to free Carter after 22 years of wrongful imprisonment.

The plot for this movie is good especially since it is based on the true story of Rubin "Hurricane" Carter and his struggles and wrongful convictions as well as final vindication. However, the movie version is a bit nondescript.

The early black and white scenes of Carter boxing are good, as well as many of the prison scenes, but so much of the story seems to be omitted. I never truly understood the "Canadian's" relationship. Nor did we ever find out what happened to Carter's wife and child. There seems to be nobody visiting or writing to Carter except these Canadians...where is the family?

Also the addition of the fictitious police chief Della Pesca was weak and unbelievable. I don't understand why they added this aspect without punishing the jerk in the end?

The camera shots and cinematography were good, but nothing spectacular except for in the beginning of the movie.

Overall the acting was all right, but most of the characters never seemed to come alive for me

and were very simple and boring.

However, Denzel pulled off a wonderful performance and was the saving grace for this movie. I was amazed at how well he pulled off the boxing, and the adrenaline-infused fighting scenes. Also, as usual, he shined in the introspective, pondering, deep-mental-thought scenes we have come to know him for.

Overall the movie was good, but not as spectacular as one would have expected.

Ash gives it two Froberschire & Gleason Raspberry Flavoured Ice-Lollies.

## D. Bash

Denzel Washington's performance in *The Hurricane* lifts an otherwise bland film from the depths of mediocrity to the heights of acclaim. Whether he's portraying him at 18 or 50, in the ring, or in solitary confinement, Washington's portrayal of wrongly convicted boxer Rubin Carter is dead on, and adds yet another color to his multi-faceted palette of talent.

Rubin "Hurricane" Carter spent half of his adult life in prison because of a corrupt police department who falsely convicted him of murder. *The Hurricane* follows Carter through his childhood, the rise to the top of the boxing world, imprisonment and eventual release thanks to the help of three Canadians and a young black boy who finds Carter's book at a used book sale.

After setting up how Carter got in jail, the movie focuses on the Canadians getting him out, and this is where the biggest flaw of the film lies. Comprised of two men and a woman, this Canadian Three's Company adopts this black boy to teach him to read. Now it's Different Strokes. Almost every scene involving this family has the feeling of an After School Special. The movie leads us to believe that all Canadians favorite pass times are raking leaves and collecting maple syrup.

This is where Washington shines through. One too many parts in the movie borderline on corny. And the gritty ambience that should have been captured within the confines of jail or within Carter's own life are made family friendly instead. Luckily, Washington brings enough emotional depth, and bad ass yet spiritual attitude to keep you convinced and allow you to feel like you might be seeing things like they really happened, not how director Norman Jewison envisioned them and candy coated them.

Washington is in prime form throughout the film...in every walk of Carter's life. The emotional strain put on Carter in prison is shown wonderfully through Washington, especially his first three months in jail, which were spent in the hole because he refused to wear issue prison garb - "the clothes of a guilty man."

It's rare that a single performance can elevate a movie as bland as *The Hurricane* to success, but Washington pulls through. His portrayal of Carter is a masterpiece and as powerful and heart-touching as the story it is based on, which is much more than can be said for the movie it resides in.



## Music artists of today contribute to philanthropy

Kendra McClymonds  
A&E EDITOR

In the 1960's and 70's music superstars were labeled as political activists for coming together and singing "We Are The World." As we enter the new century, however, rock stars are using their power as role models and their celebrity cash to make a real change in the world.

The folk-rock group Indigo Girls, for example, are involved in everything from gay pride to freeing controversial death row prisoner and outspoken activist Mumia Abu Jamal.

The Girls have given their hearts to is the Honor The Earth Campaign. This arts, music and media organization was founded to put a stop to environmental destruction - particularly the dumping of nuclear waste on lands inhabited by traditionally oppressed Native American communities.

The Indigo Girls have headed concert tours, released special CDs and led protests to

aid the group.

"Honor The Earth is not just another environmental cause," Indigo Girl Amy Ray said. "The basic issues of human rights, justice and our own survival are at stake."

Lauryn Hill, rap singer who had her superstar beginnings in the rap group the Fugees, which is short for refugees and refers to the group's roots on the island of Haiti, is also a philanthropic rock star.

The organization she founded is called the Refugee Project. Hill said her motto is "Change the focus from the richest to the brokest." She makes this a reality by helping underprivileged kids with aid from other popular, rich, musicians such as Mariah Carey, Busta Rhymes, and fellow Fugee Wyclef Jean.

One of the Refugee Project's most successful programs is Camp Hill, which "gives city kids a green place to go to for two weeks during the summer." Other projects focus on literacy, mentoring and money raising.

Finally, Rage Against The Machine came

together specifically to spread their radical political message through music as front man Zack de la Rocha rock-raps his strong convictions on issues from censorship to political prisoners and helps fans find ways to channel their own anger about injustice.

Recently, de la Rocha and the band have been active in Chiapas, Mexico, where the armed Zapatista rebels are fighting for the rights of the oppressed indigenous tribes who have lived there for thousands of years.

Guitarist Tom Morello said, "Zack's lyrics really connect us, a U.S. rock 'n' roll band, and some of the issues they face in Mexico. Songs like 'People Of The Sun,' 'Maria' and 'About A Face,' were all written about Mexico. Clearly we've got our ideologies on our sleeves and our audience, both in the United States and in Mexico, is intelligent. They harbor some of the same indignation we do."

More stories about these generous musicians and their bands can be found at [www.react.com](http://www.react.com).



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The Indigo Girls

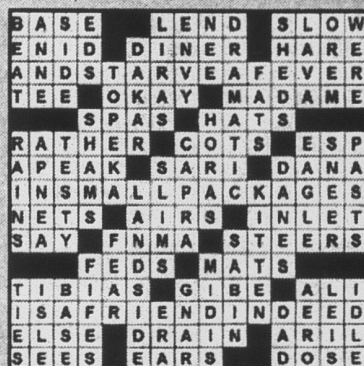
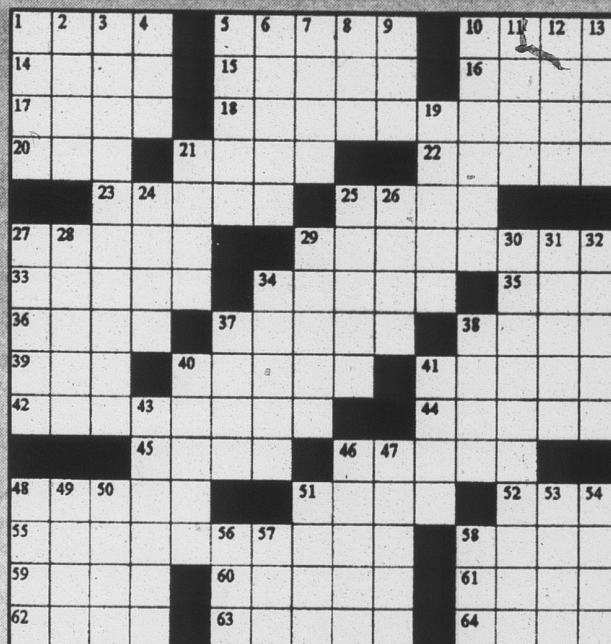


## ACROSS

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21. Outdo
22. Brought to a conclusion
23. Knead need
25. Touchdown
27. Indian term of respect
29. European horseman
33. Love in Roma
34. Out-of-date
35. Story telling place
36. Monetary units
37. Insert mark
38. Stringed instrument
39. Tee precursor
40. Pilots a jet
41. Burdened
42. Pony
44. Revise
45. Relative
46. Horses' gaits
48. Empty
51. Large book
52. Rather
55. Custers' adversary
58. Hamlet
59. Air
60. Answered the alarm
61. Arm bone
62. Existed
63. Gas measuring device
64. Pub offering

## DOWN

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2. Double-reed instrument
3. Toy
4. A single unit
5. Residues
6. Promote
7. Mr. Reynolds
8. Former CIA
9. Tiger's needs
10. Plan
11. Goes with wedding or leader
12. In addition
13. A feat
19. Touch, e.g.
21. Newborn
24. Irish Republic
25. Mislays
26. Helper
27. Gross receipts
28. Jacob Amman follower
29. Worried
30. Budweiser breed
31. Ms. Carpenter
32. Disburse
34. Redecorate
37. Kin group
38. Unsatisfactory excuse
40. Chancy
41. A way to tie
43. Jane's mate
46. Sheriff's group
47. Middle East chieftain
48. Strikebreaker
49. Right
50. River in Switzerland
51. Horse's gait
53. Frank's diary
56. Close by
56. Overzealous actor
57. Pay dirt
58. Entitle




## HOROSCOPES

**ARIES**

This week for Aries will be fun filled, light-hearted and virtually worry free. You can relax at work as long as you are doing your job and not goofing off.

**TAURUS**

Kindness to strangers is your best strategy this week, as conditions are good for you to receive numerous spiritual tests. These tests may be in the form of Angelic visitation, or trials in life.

**GEMINI**

Your week will be a true adventure! Lots of assorted things will be going on, in your home and at the workplace. This will not really be bad, or good for that matter, "hctic" is the word.

**CANCER**

Detail and accuracy are your key focus points this week. You may want to keep notes on the ideas you come up with during this phase, as they will come in handy in the future.

**LEO**

About time for you to make that all-important decision that has been preying on your mind. The time is right for your logic to be heightened enough, that mixed with good common sense, you will make a better than normal decision.

**VIRGO**

Avoid big decisions like new car purchases and house purchases. You may have a tendency to leap before you look and this could, be very dangerous indeed when dealing with high dollar items.

**LIBRA**

Rainy days don't get you down this week, as spiritually you are very strong. You may seem to some as blissful and philosophic, which is not far from the truth. You are experiencing a surge in spiritual growth.

**SCORPIO**

The tables turn on those that may have been trying to do you harm, you have found a stronger sense of analytical reasoning then you have known in the past. Hence you would make the perfect detective this week.

**SAGITTARIUS**

This week will test your skills as a diplomat. You may inadvertently find yourself involved in settling disputes among people left and right.

**CAPRICORN**

Surprises of a pleasant nature will be coming your way this week. Be aggressive to a certain degree toward work, and you will reap many benefits. Good news of a financial nature should be coming your way shortly.

**AQUARIUS**

Being of high energy this week, you are very capable of receiving visions, or prophetic dreams of some sort. Be on guard against possible dark fantasies that may hurt you if indulged in too much.

**PISCES**

At the workplace this week you will perform above average. Your energies are around normal levels, but your logical reasoning ability will be enhanced.



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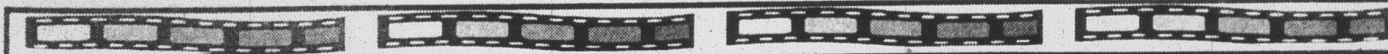
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| Down to You (PG-13)            | Stuart Little (PG)      |
| Girl, Interrupted (R)          | Supernova (PG-13)       |
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| Hurricane, The (R)             |                         |

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| Girl, Interrupted (R)   | Toy Story 2 (G)    |
| Green Mile, The (R)     |                    |
| Hurricane, The (R)      |                    |
| Play It to the Bone (R) |                    |

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- Man On the Moon (R)





# CLASSIFIEDS

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MORNING FELLOWSHIP:** Tuesday, Feb. 8, at 7:30 at Lindley Dining Hall will be led by Camila Bari Lopez.

**FOREIGN FILM FESTIVAL:** Feb. 8, at 8 p.m. in the Down Under features a Japanese film, Ran. This story, set in the 16th century, is about an aging ruler, Lord Hidetora, and his attempts to divide his kingdom peacefully among his three sons. Instead, they turn against each other and betray their father. This 1985 film is in Japanese with English subtitles, and is preceded by popcorn and soda at 7:30.

**FACULTY FORUM:** Wednesday, Feb. 9, at 11:30 a.m. in Patterson 131 features Dr. John P. Bonomo, assistant professor of computer science.

**ALL-CAMPUS MEETING:** All-Campus Meeting Tuesday, is scheduled Feb. 29 at 11 a.m. in Beeghly Theater. Please mark your calendars.

**GOLF CLASSIC:** New Castle Rotary Club 7th Annual Chili Open Golf Classic is Saturday, Feb. 19 beginning at 9:30 a.m. A live auction is planned from 12:30-1:30 p.m. at Scotland Meadows Park in Union Township. Golf, lunch, silent auction tickets are adults, \$10; students, \$5. For more information, call (724) 658-4766, and for tickets and registration call (724) 654-3991 Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Benefits Lawrence County non-profit organi-

zations.

**JUBILEE 2000:** Jubilee 2000 is Feb. 25-27 at the Pittsburgh Hilton Hotel and Towers. Call Keturah Laney at ext. 7117 for more information.

## WANTED

**CAMP COUNSELOR:** Camp Counselor: Lutherlyn, a Christian camp in western Pennsylvania, is looking for people to fill all positions for this summer. There is a flyer posted outside of the Career Center, which tells more about it, and a representative will conduct interviews on campus Wednesday, Feb. 9 from 9-10:30 a.m. in the TUB Grill. For more information e-mail Lutherlyn@aol.com or visit the web site <http://www.Lutherlyn.com>.

**COMPUTER INFORMATION MAJOR:** Roxanne Shelenberger, a local notary, is looking for an intern to help build a business. A computer information systems major is preferred and duties include designing databases and setting up accounts. This position offers flexible hours. For more information, call (724) 658-0100.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:** The Volunteer & Internship Opportunities book for Nebraska, which includes the Nebraska National Forest and Associated Units, Bighorn National Forest, Black Hills National Forest, and Shoshone National Forest is on the web: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/>

[nebraska/volunteer/index.htm](http://nebraska/volunteer/index.htm).

**NEW CASTLE YMCA:** The New Castle YMCA has a job opening in its Daycare Department. It also has positions available as assistant group supervisors in the before and after school programs at JFK, Union and Mohawk schools. These part-time paid positions are from 3-6 p.m. daily. For more information, call Vickie at (724) 658-4766, ext. 19.

**YELLOWSTONE PARK:** Yellowstone Park Service Stations are looking for summer help. They are seeking enthusiastic, hard-working, pleasant people who enjoy working outdoors and service the public. Call Janet Waugaman at ext. 6338 for visit <http://www.coolworks.com/ypss> for more information.

**DISASTER MANAGEMENT:** Lawrence County Emergency Management Agency has a paid internship available for someone who is interested in assisting with disaster preparedness for the county by organizing and updating information regarding hazardous materials. An environmental science major with some minor research experience is preferred. This is a temporary, part-time position with flexible hours based at the New Castle Courthouse. For more information call Sharon Critchlow at (724) 658-7485.

**US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Shenango Lake is interested in recruiting students for the following positions: unpaid internships in natural resource management,

park ranger and secretarial positions; paid positions for students interested in being a park ranger, maintenance and labor workers, and secretary. Qualified candidates can come from a variety of majors. Applications for intern positions due March 15. Those interested in the paid positions should contact the office as soon as possible at (724) 962-7746. For more information, contact Janet Waugaman at ext. 6338.

**INSTITUTE FOR EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING:** The Institute for Experiential Learning has two programs, The Capital Experience and The Embassy and Diplomatic Scholars, who are looking for interns in Washington, D.C. All majors are invited to apply before the deadline of the first week of March. For more information, contact Janet Waugaman at ext. 6338 or visit <http://www.ielnet.org>.

**YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly** is currently recruiting college students for employment during the summer of 2000. This non-denominational YMCA conference center is nestled in the heart of the Blue Ridge mountains of western North Carolina. They employ 120 college students each summer, and host an average of 750 conferees each week from late May to early August. Positions are available in the food service, guest services, maintenance, conference services, housekeeping, aquatics, environmental education, gift shop, crafts and childcare. Visit: <http://www.blueridgeassembly.org>.

## Valentino promises to be fun night of games and dancing

By Katie Brentzel  
NEWS EDITOR

If your Valentine's Day plans seem bleak at best, consider spending an evening with that special someone - or stag - enjoying the festivities planned for the semi-formal event Valentino Feb. 12 from 8:30-midnight in the Down Under.

The evening begins with a casino-like atmosphere where students will receive poker chips that they can use to place bets on games like poker and blackjack. At 10:00, all betting will cease and each individual will count their "money". Prizes will be available for the student with the most money left over.

Homemade desserts and refreshments will

be served.

After the prizes are distributed, students can move to the dance floor to show off their moves, as Tara Byrd DJ's the event.

The proceeds from the event, planned by the Spiritual Growth team of the Chapel Staff, will go to benefit the fundraising activities of Habitat for Humanity.

"We're planning a great evening," said Jamie Suchoza of the Spiritual Growth team. "It will be great for anyone who brings a date or comes solo. People should just plan on fun games, great desserts and a lot of dancing."

Registration forms are available in the Chapel Office. Students should RSVP by Feb. 10. The cost is \$5 for one person and \$8 for couples.



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Last year Valentino attendees enjoy a game of cards.

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# Calendar of Events

## FRIDAY 4

Last Day to DROP (\$15 Fee)  
11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel  
7:00 p.m. Third Annual PCMEA Variety Show - Orr Auditorium  
8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Retro Dance — TUB Lounge  
8:00 p.m. Tune-In (Game Show) — Down Under  
10:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. JT's Cafe — Down Under

## SATURDAY 5

10:00 a.m. Reunion Meeting (20th Year) — TUB A/B  
11:00 a.m. Alpha Phi Omega Story Hour - McGill Children's Library  
1:00 p.m. Men's and Women's Swimming vs. Findlay (H)  
1:00 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Wayne State, MI  
3:00 p.m. Men's Basketball @ Wayne State, MI  
7:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel

## SUNDAY 6

6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting @ Chapter House  
7:00 p.m. Vespers - Chapel  
9:00 p.m. "The Sopranos" — Down Under  
10:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

## MONDAY 7

Last Day for a 80% Refund  
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Newman Club Carnation Sale - Mealtimes in Duff Dining Hall  
11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel  
5:30 p.m. Panhellenic Meeting - TUB A/B  
5:30 p.m. Phi Kappa Tau Meeting - HSC 152  
6:00 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall  
6:15 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112-113  
6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - Tub A/B  
6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116  
6:30 - 9:00 p.m. Westminster Fund Spring Term Phonathon Begins - Thompson House  
6:30 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311-312  
7:00 p.m. Economics & Business Department Lecture: Dr. Magdalena

Paleczny-Zapp, "The Changing Economies of Eastern Europe" -- Chapel

7:30 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Rush Party — Tub Lounge  
8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230

## TUESDAY 8

Newman Club Carnation Sale - Mealtimes in Duff Dining Hall  
11:00 a.m. Council of Chairs Meeting — TUB A/B  
TBA Campus Club Valentine Luncheon  
5:00 p.m. Residence Hall Off-Campus Lottery — TUB A/B  
5:15 p.m. Off-Campus Lottery (Men) — TUB A/B  
5:45 p.m. Off-Campus Lottery (Women) — TUB A/B  
6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting — TUB A/B  
7:00 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal — Chapel  
7:30 p.m. Foreign Film Festival - Down Under  
7:30 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Rush Party — Tub Lounge  
8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Rush Informationals — TBA

## WEDNESDAY 9

Newman Club Carnation Sale - Mealtimes in Duff Dining Hall  
11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum: John Bonomo, "You Gotta Problem With That?" — PH 131  
5:00 p.m. Student Alumni Association Meeting - TUB A/B  
7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - CFH 116  
8:00 p.m. Student Pre-Law Association Meeting - PH 114  
8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
8:30 p.m. Habitat for Humanity Meeting — TUB A/B  
9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - TBA

## THURSDAY 10

Newman Club Carnation Sale - Mealtimes in Duff Dining Hall  
Mock Convention - Field House  
11:00 a.m. Support Staff Meeting — TUB A/B  
6:00 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Hillsdale, MI  
7:00 p.m. IFC Meeting - TUB A/B  
8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball @ Hillsdale, MI  
9:30 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal — Chapel

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## Mock Convention comes to a close

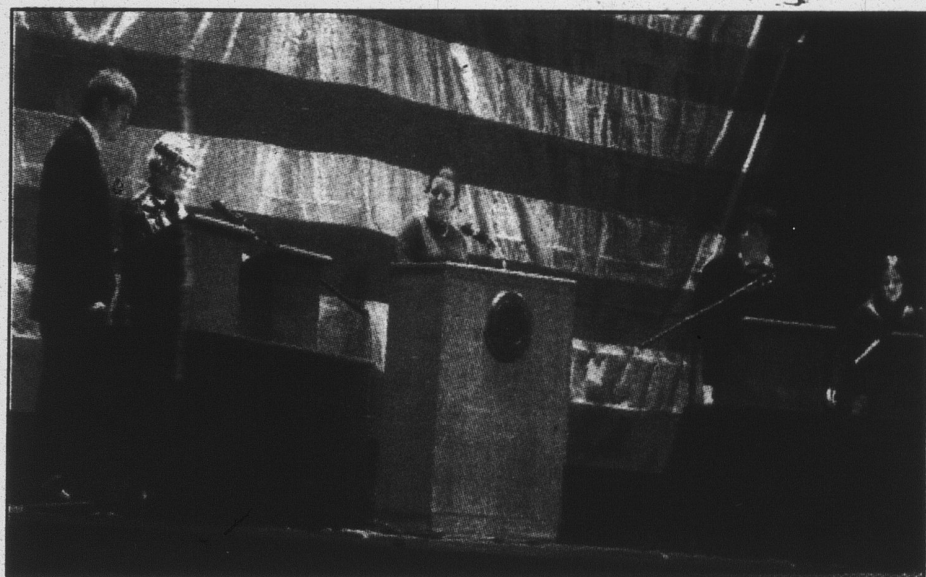


Photo by Courtney Beam  
Chris Nave, Meghan Duda, Lori Scott, Brad Lynn and Mindy Falk participate in the Mock Convention debate in Orr.

By Meghan Duda  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

A sixty-four year tradition continues this weekend with the college's 2000 Republican Mock Convention.

Every four years since 1936, except for the wartime year of 1944, a mock presidential nominating convention is held. As one of the oldest events of its kind, only a handful of colleges and universities participate nationwide.

The convention spans over a two-day period beginning yesterday and ending with voting tonight. There is a variety of participation ranging from executive chair to campaign manager, from presiding chair to state delegate.

After campaign parties, tactics and advertising by the campaign managers, who represent four candidates from the actual election, it is up to the state chairs and delegates to decide who the President and Vice President will be.

This year's candidates are George W. Bush represented by Chris Nave, John McCain represented by Brad Lynn, Steve

Forbes represented by Meghan Duda and Gary Bauer represented by Mindy Falk.

Though Forbes and Bauer both have dropped from the GOP race, they will continue to stay in the Mock Convention.

"Even though Bauer dropped out, I hope that I will still have the campus' support because this is a Mock Convention and only reflects the efforts of the campaign managers," Faulk said.

Though activities such as the campaign managers debate on Sunday and the various campaign parties sparked the beginning of the convention, yesterday signaled the first official day of the two-day event.

The festivities were kicked off in Buzz Ridell gymnasium with a welcoming address by President R. Thomas Williamson followed by roll call of the convention and concluded with remarks from keynote speaker Robert D. Novak.

"We always try to select someone of high prominence in the political area for our keynote speaker," said Jim Rhoads, advisor for the Mock Convention. "Mr. Novak has proven to be a prominent figure having cov

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## McKelvy challenge continues

By Tammy Geiwitz  
STAFF WRITER

The challenge set forth by Andy McKelvy is still within grasp. The McKelvy Challenge has met one-third of the goal so far, but still has a ways to go, while another challenge is just beginning.

The McKelvy Challenge started last summer with a challenge by Andy McKelvy, a graduate of the class of 1957 and a former trustee of the college. McKelvy put forth a challenge to all of the alumni to raise three million dollars towards the new student center. McKelvy agreed to match the alumni's three million raised with another three million of his own funds.

"The alumni response to the challenge has been good so far," said Gloria Cagigas, vice president of institutional advancement.

Cagigas also revealed that a second challenge now accompanies McKelvy's. Laura Hindson Scottford and John Scottford, Jr., graduates of the class of 1986, have placed a challenge to the alumni of the class of 1986 to the present. The Scottford's will match every dollar raised by those fourteen classes, up to \$25,000.

The challenge set forth by the Scottford's will allow a room naming in their honor. Although one million has been raised, there still needs to be another two million raised by June 30th.

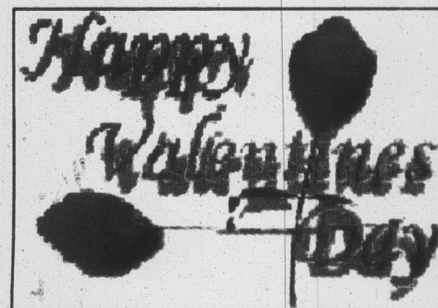
## Valentine's Day approaches

By EJ Campbell  
STAFF WRITER

If the roses, balloons, cards, and construction paper hearts haven't given it away yet, Valentine's Day is approaching and the campus is full of activities.

The chapel office will hold their annual semi-formal event for the Valentine weekend. Valentino will include dancing, deserts, casino games and a DJ.

"We used to hold it around Christmas time, but due to a scheduling conflict we decided to move it to Valentine's Day weekend. We think we will actually see more involvement this year than we usually saw during Christmas time," Chapel Assistant Keturah Laney said.



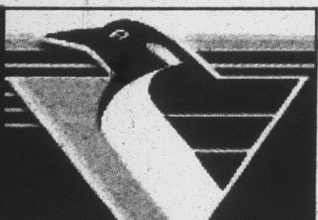
Valentino will be held tomorrow, and the cost is \$8 per couple or \$5 per person.

"All the proceeds will go to Habit for Humanity," Laney added.

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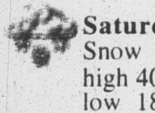


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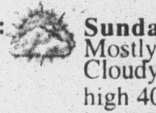
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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Alumni career shadowing program concludes

By Adriann Popovich  
STAFF WRITER

The Alumni career-shadowing program has recently ended, and it is now time for the alumni office to get students' opinions regarding the program.

The "A Day in the Life of My Future" program provides students with the opportunity to spend a day with an alumni in the field of their professional interest. The program begins in October, when students can choose who they wish to shadow from a pre-registered list of alumni.

The alumni are chosen based on geographic locations and on a volunteer basis. There are usually thirty to forty alumni avail-

able. If a student cannot find a match, the alumni office will try to find one for them.

Mary James, director of alumni relations, said that the alumni are more than happy to participate.

"Alumni appreciate the opportunity to support current students and learn about current campus life," James said.

The program is designed to help students establish a professional network within their anticipated profession.

According to James, "In addition to career information students have the opportunity to make contacts with alumni on a personal basis."

This past year the alumni visits took place during the last week of Christmas break.

Students were given the name and phone number of their alumni when they signed up, so that they could call to schedule the day for shadowing.

After the shadowing visits have been made, the alumni office sponsors a luncheon for those who participated. The purpose of the luncheon is for students to share their experiences and voice their opinions about the program.

Sophomore Julie Dull had the opportunity to shadow a physician's assistant who graduated from the college in 1982. Julie spent a six-hour day with her alumni during which she was able to meet with patients and learn different procedures.

"It was a great opportunity and I definitely

ly recommend it to all students," Dull said.

Freshman biology major Heidi Reese shadowed an Orthopedic Surgeon at nearby Horizon Hospital. Reese went on rounds with the doctor, witnessed hip replacement surgery, watched a leg amputation and helped remove a patient's stitches.

Heidi felt that the program was a great experience. "It showed me what being a surgeon would involve and reassured my confidence in my career choice."

Approximately forty students participated in this year's program and the Alumni office is looking to expand this number next year. The program is open to all students and sign ups take place during the fall semester.

## Foreign Film Festival opens its Spring season

By Jon McKay  
STAFF WRITER

The spring session of the Foreign Film Festival began on Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Down Under.

Four other films will be shown this spring, all on Tuesday nights. The dates for these films are February 22, March 14 and 28 and April 11. These four films will vary in both genre and language.

"We try to get a variety of different languages so we can accommodate to as many people as possible," said Spanish professor Dr. James A. Cummins, in his third year of running the festival. "There are some very good Italian comedies. But we have also had Swedish, Russian and of course French, Spanish and German films in the past. We are trying to give students a broad perspective."

Cummins frequently asks other departments for suggestions on films. This semester,

Dr. Deborah Mitchell of the Public Relations department has volunteered to help give the Festival an Asian theme. She will be providing and introducing two Japanese films. The Festival will also include a Vietnamese film, Scent of Green Papayas, for the first time ever. Cummins hopes to also include a Korean film in the near future.

Although the Festival has been an annual College event since the mid 80s, this is only the fourth year that it has spanned both semesters. "We try to show ten films each year, five each semester. That way a lot of people will get the chance to see some," Cummins said.

The Festival was originally held in the TCF building, where the films were shown with a movie projector. With the emergence of VHS, it was moved to Phillips Lecture Hall. Five years ago, the Festival was moved to its current location, the Down Under, so that refreshments were accessible. The Foreign Language department provides free popcorn

and soft drinks at every film.

Student turnout for the films varies considerably. Although Cummins has found Tuesday nights to be the best to show the films, there are sometimes fewer than ten students in attendance. However, the films have also drawn up to 100 students.

"We usually get ten to 15 students each film. Some inquiry professors ask their classes to attend the films and do write-ups on them. So do some foreign language professors," Cummins said. When that happens, and we get a few classes to come, the attendance is much higher than usual."

Regardless of the number of attending students, feedback is almost always positive. "It depends on the night and film, but the students seem to really enjoy themselves," Cummins said. "And I really enjoy doing it. I have fun hunting and screening the films to make the decision on what will be shown."

## Students ice skate as PE alternative

By Kimberly Schroeder  
STAFF WRITER

Westminster students have yet another option this school year to fill their required PE credits.

Every Thursday, 24 students gather at the Hess ice skating rink in New Castle to learn a variety of techniques in ice-skating. That is a huge increase in interest compared to the four students who took the class last fall, which was the first semester the class was offered.

"I was shocked at the overwhelming interest by the students this semester for the class," said coach Scott Renninger. "Some of the students are there to fill the PE requirements, but others have already filled the requirement and just want to be there for fun."

The class is overseen by Renninger, but is taught by professionals at the rink.

Some of the students are experienced in ice skating and ice hockey, but others have not had much experience, if any, in either sport.

"The class is very diverse in its abilities, and that presents a challenge to the instructors, but they plan to split the class up into groups and will work with each group at its ability level," Renninger said.

"I skated when I was little and I hope to perfect the basics through this class. After that, I would like to learn some of the harder and fun things like jumps and turns," junior Jennifer Grotkowski said.

Because of the difference in talent levels, the class does not set out to achieve one group goal. Instead, each student will practice and try to master what he or she cannot do at the beginning of the semester. Those students who are less familiar with skating, are working on skating forward, backward and crossing over from side to side. Some of the more advanced students are working on different jumps used in figure skating as well as some intermediate and advanced hockey moves.

"Some of the guys and I, who have done a little skating before, are looking forward to practicing the hockey moves they plan to teach us," junior, Aaron Wik commented.

Each student pays \$84.50 to take the class, which runs for the whole semester, as opposed to most of the PE classes, which are only 7 weeks long. Normally, private lessons at the Hess skating rink are \$30.00 per hour.

Renninger feels that enrollment has to reach at least 8 to 10 for the class to be offered next fall. The fee will vary, depending on the number of students enrolled.

The school provides transportation for all the students to and from the rink.

## Student residence directors hired for next year

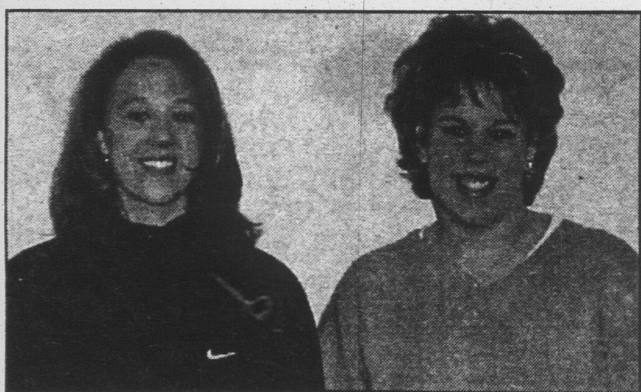


Photo by Courtney Behm

Jacquie Duncan and Kelly Coldren

By Lindsey Braem  
STAFF WRITER

For many students, coming to college presents an overwhelming number of new responsibilities. What many students don't expect is that one day they may have the responsibility of anywhere from 45 to over 100 other students.

Jacquie Duncan and Kelly Coldren, two Westminster students, have taken on this duty by accepting the position of Residence Director for two of the campus' dormitories.

Because of the two open positions in the Residence Life staff, anyone who had spent

a year as a Residence Assistant was able to apply.

The application form asked questions, which included why they were interested in becoming a Residence Director and what their goals were. The application also asked for examples of the student's leadership ability and style.

Also required to apply for this position were evaluations to be filled out by the student's Residence Director, a Residence Assistant that they had

worked with and one of the student's professors.

After these had been completed, the interested students had to go through two interviews. The first was before a panel of other Residence Directors, and the second was with Molly Burnett, assistant dean of student affairs.

Coldren is a sophomore Psychology major from Murrysville, Pa. She was well prepared for the Feb. 2 news that she had been chosen.

"I had thought over all of my concerns," Coldren said. "It is actually very exciting."

Next year, Coldren will be in charge of the Jeffers dormitory, making her responsible for up to 45 students.

Duncan, a junior from Prospect, Pa, seems equally excited to be the Residence Director of Browne next year. Duncan sees the position as one that will be helpful for her in the future as well.

"I am interested in studying higher education in graduate school so this will be beneficial for me," Duncan said.

Housing over 100 women, Browne is one of the larger female dormitories at Westminster.

Both girls noted that there are benefits to being chosen as a Residence Director in comparison to their past Residence Assistant positions.

"I look forward to being able to choose the Residence Assistants that I will be working with next year," Coldren said.

Erin Heasley, a senior, is the current Residence Director of Jeffers, and she speaks highly of her experience this past year.

"For me, it has been a wonderful chance to be both a student and an RD. I am finishing my degree, and also I got to work with the students, helping them to build community," Heasley said.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Residence Life staff can contact Molly Burnett at EXT. 7114.



## Kelly, Campbell intern with the Penguins public relations dept.

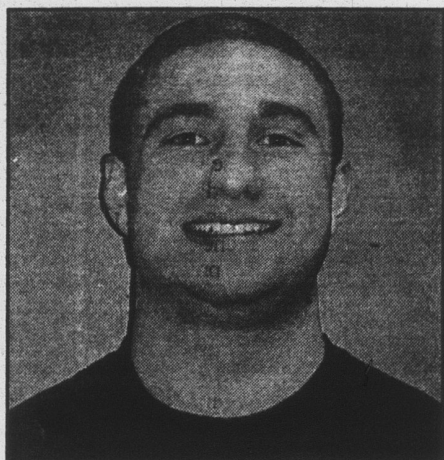


Photo by Courtney Behm  
Don Kelly interned with the Penguins.

By Chrissy DiCicco  
STAFF WRITER

The college's internship opportunities are becoming increasingly competitive.

Students have interned with major corporations such as USX Corporation, large market television stations like KDKA TV and

government institutions such as the Pennsylvania State Capital.

Some public relations majors are leading the pack. Chris Campbell and Don Kelly, both senior Public Relations majors, have intern experience with the Pittsburgh Penguins.

The Penguins hired Chris in the public relations department late last semester. He will remain with the team through May. Don interned in the public relations department over Christmas break. Cindy Himes, director of public relations, was the on-the-job supervisor.

Both men worked in the public relations department with Himes. They also worked with Renee Petrichevich, community relations manager.

Responsibilities included writing press releases and features, making contacts, answering fan mail, and interviewing players. The interns also handled the NHL All-Star voting. Chris assembled all the voting boxes and handled the distribution and collection of the ballots over a ten-game period. Both Chris and Don agree that writing ghost features for the "Mike Lang Column" was a highlight. The column is featured in over twenty city papers including the Pittsburgh Post Gazette.

Chris also played a key role in the

Salvation Army's "Project Bundle Up." Underprivileged children shopped alongside various players at Ames Department Store. Chris assisted Ms. Petrichevich with the implementation of the event. He matched a child and a player, making sure they had enough time to shop. He also handled any outside media.

"Seeing the look on just one child's face convinced me that philanthropy is vital for any organization," said Chris. "Not only does volunteer work strengthen the relationship between a community and an organization, but it also strengthens the organization itself."

Don worked with community relations as well. According to Don, the Penguins award one student/hockey player in western Pennsylvania with the "Bob Johnson Scholarship." The scholarship recognizes academics, athleticism, leadership and volunteerism. Don was a major player in this year's search.

He researched the high schools with hockey programs and set up a mailing list. Don then wrote informal letters and sent out nearly 500 information/application packages.

Don admits that his background in athletics played an important role in his internship.

"I knew how to represent myself with the players. I know the pressures of preparing for

a game, talking with the press or greeting fans," Don said.

He discussed an incident when the PR department asked him to interview a player just a few hours before a game.

"I explained to Ms. Himes that the last thing a player wants to do is give an interview, even within the organization," Don said. Ms. Himes agreed.

Both men also discussed the importance of international relations within an organization, since most of the Penguins team consists of international players.

"It is important that an organization recognizes cultural, ethnic and custom differences," Don said.

"The players are the number one constituents. Many players have relocated to the United States, specifically the western Pennsylvania area," Chris said. "It is important that they feel safe and comfortable in their working environment."

The public relation major has proved once again that internships are not only necessary, but also a valuable learning experience for Westminter students. If interested in applying for an internship, contact your advisor or visit the Career Center.

## Kang-Yup Na to speak on the past Last Lecture Series continues with discussion on dead

Kang-Yup Na, instructor of religion, will give his "last lecture" at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, in the TUB A/B.

During this academic year, several professors were asked to give a lecture on their "passion," as if it were the last lecture they were ever to give. Na chose to speak on "Learning from Dead People."

"The first thing we can learn from dead people is that they are dead," said Na. "This is no trivial discovery; it keeps us ever mindful of our common mortality. Knowing that life is ultimately the filling of time between birth and death should instill in young minds some sense of urgency about living a meaningful and worthwhile life."

"Another thing we can learn from dead people is a sense of humility. 'Dust to dust' should remind us of our place in the natural order," Na added.

"As advanced as our nation is technologically, there is nothing segregating it from the crucial moral dilemmas of past generations, whose technological world was primitive relative to ours, yet faced similar problems of human existence."

The residence life sponsors the Last Lecture Series, which is free to the public. All members of the campus community are encouraged to attend.

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hold two Valentine's Day events. This past week sisters handed out flowerpots with sugar-free candy and lollipops to the Children's hospital and New Castle hospitals.

"We are doing this for our charity project, which focuses on juvenile diabetes," Kim Davis, president, said.

In addition, the sorority held a blind date party last Saturday. "For the date party friends find a blind date for each other. It was a lot of fun," Davis added.

The office of college president R. Thomas Williamson will also be celebrating Valentine's Day in a special way.

"We will have special Valentine's Day candy here for anyone who wants to stop by, help themselves and have a visit," said Elaine Bean, secretary to the president.

Students expressed different views concerning Valentine's Day.

"It's a holiday created by Hallmark. You shouldn't need a day to tell your significant other you care about them," sophomore Lani Nuss said. "If you love someone you should tell them everyday, not just on Feb. 14."

Senior Chrissy DiCicco disagreed.

"I'm definitely looking forward to Valentine's Day. I'm going to send my boyfriend a card every day till Valentine's

Day with an ongoing message written on them," she said. "Then on Valentine's Day I'm going to make him dinner and send him a package at work."

"We're going to have an anti-Valentine's Day party, with 10 to 12 guys and girls," seniors Stephany Apollon and Heather Lazzini said.

Also preparing for the holiday is Jean Leprich, the co-owner of J's Floral and Gift Shop. The mother and daughter owned store sells flowers, balloons, candy, cards and other gifts.

"We're getting the flowers in and we're anticipating the business, but we don't know what the weather is going to be like or how it will affect business," Leprich said.

For Valentine's Day, J's Floral and Gift Shop is selling a dozen red roses for \$30, cash and carry only.

"We also specialize in selling Jameson's candy in the blue boxes with lace and old-time rose decorations on them. And you would never guess, but that's what the Amish want. The House Dutch Amish aren't allowed to buy flowers, but they love the candy and cards," Leprich added.

For information or to place an order with J's Floral and Gift Shop, call 724-946-2449.

Zeta Tau Alpha welcomes our new  
baby bunnies!



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Jeanna Kovacs

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Ericka Peterson

Kylie Budai

Kiley Commesso

Jerilyn Matejka

Amy Palmer

Tyler Phillips

Julie Caldwell

Lydia Humenycky

Laurel Miller

LeighAnn Pascarella

Valerie Prevade

Stephanie Yingling

Stacy Zak

We love you!!!!



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### Chapel Corner: Good times and faith-building expected at Jubilee

By Sal Hannah  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

"Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering." (Romans 12:1 The Message)

For many people this verse does not mean much; it is just Bible-banging Christian talk. If you see yourself as person who agrees with this statement, I would suggest that you rethink your thoughts.

What is the purpose of life? Why am I in college? Why do I study, write papers, stress myself out, and try to have fun partying all weekend? Is this all worth while? Read the verse again...go on...read it.

"Take your everyday, ordinary life...and

place before God as an offering."

If you are confused by this verse that is a good thing, and if this verse excites you that is also a good thing. With either reaction, you must explore the option of attending the Jubilee Conference held Feb. 25-27 at the Pittsburgh Hilton Hotel and Towers.

Jubilee is a conference where questions like the ones asked above can be answered. Students learn what it means to have God dwell in all aspects of their life.

"Jubilee is a great place to worship, meet new people, and have fun while learning how to use God within your majors and future careers," junior Jessica Prevost said.

This year, the keynote speaker is Elward Ellis; he is the President of Destiny Movement, Inc. and Pastor of Crossroads Presbyterian Church in Stone Mountain,

Georgia.

Ellis is an outstanding speaker who said his call requires him to be "an excellent preacher of the Gospel; to work for authentic racial reconciliation in the body of Christ; to work for the evangelization, discipleship and development of African Americans; to work with the church worldwide to advance the kingdom of God; and to work for the wholistic expression of the gospel within urban communities."

Over the Rhine will be performing in concert, they have been making music for over 10 years. Sixpence None the Richer has sited Over the Rhine as an important influence on their own work. Over the Rhine has recorded seven full-length CDs including their critically-acclaimed Good Dog Bad Dog. They are currently working on their next full-length

album.

Jubilee will be a great time for everyone. "Attending Jubilee is a great way to break up the monotony of your everyday life and open your eyes to situations throughout our country and the world," Alyssa Mann said.

In attendance are upwards of 1500 college students from Pittsburgh area colleges and universities. For more information, contact any CCO worker or call the chapel office at EXT. 7115.

Mass 7:00 pm Saturday

Vespers 7:00 pm Sunday—Brad Frey  
Monday Chapel 11:40—Prayer and  
Meditation

Friday Chapel 11:40—Emily DeGoey

### Illness decreases blood drive numbers

Despite widespread colds, bronchitis and flu, 73 pints of blood were collected by the American Red Cross Blood Drive held on campus Feb. 2.

Though this is down from our usual 100+ pints, but considering illness factors the results are to be applauded. The Red Cross assures us that those 73 pints will benefit many recipients in the days to come.

Nineteen students (10 women and 9 men) responded to the last minute appeal by walk-

ing in when they had some free time. According to the Red Cross, this greatly compensated for those who had to cancel appointments due to illness.

30 sorority women who served as volunteers to assist the Red Cross staff.

The final blood drive for this academic year is April 4. The office of student affairs and the Red Cross encourage student and faculty support.

### Award-winning poet to speak at Bleasby

Lynn Emanuel, nationally-known poet and author, will read selections from her poetry on at 8 p.m. Thursday in Phillips Lecture Hall of the Hoyt Science Resources Center.

Emanuel is a professor of English at the University of Pittsburgh, where she directs the writing program. She is author of three books: The Dig,

which was selected for the National Poetry Series, as well as Then, Suddenly, and Hotel Fiesta. She has received two fellowships from

the National Endowment for the Arts, and two Pushcart prizes.

The event is funded by the Mildred Prather Henderson Poetry endowment, and is part of the George Bleasby English Colloquium series. Bleasby chaired the Department of English at Westminster from 1954-75.

The reading is free and open to the public. For more information, contact

David Swerdlow, associate professor of English at EXT. 946-7345.

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Amanda Cassady  
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# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Former police officer surrenders after Perry Hilltop standoff

By Marylynne Pitz and Torsten Ove  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITERS

A former Pittsburgh police officer surrendered peacefully yesterday after a four-hour standoff at his Perry Hilltop home during which he pointed a gun at officers and threatened suicide.

Anthony Williams, 41, barricaded himself inside his home on Lafayette Avenue after officers were called there about 10:40 a.m. to check on him at his mother's request.

Before the standoff was over, city SWAT team members had surrounded the home and more than a dozen police officers and a half-dozen Emergency Medical Services personnel had waited outside as family members talked with Williams by phone, bullhorn and a note passed under the front door.

Williams eventually surrendered.

"In this case, his family was the key," said city police Cmdr. Dom Costa.

Williams joined the Pittsburgh police force in 1989 and was fired in 1996 after six people complained that he had used excessive force against them. He was reinstated on a technicality but was fired again while working at the South Side police station. That decision was upheld.

Yesterday's standoff began after Williams'

mother, Genevieve Hearn of Manchester, could not reach her son by telephone. Hearn knew her son was depressed about his estrangement from his wife and pain from injuries he'd gotten while on the police force.

Accompanied by officers, Hearn entered her son's home with a key. When they found Williams standing in a stairwell and visibly agitated, he aimed a 9 mm Glock pistol at the officers and they retreated, Costa said.

Initially, police talked with Williams by telephone.

"He said he was going to go upstairs and shoot himself in the head," Costa said.

Soon after that conversation, police were unable to contact Williams on either of his two phone lines or by cellular phone.

At 12:50 p.m., his brother, John R. Williams Jr., arrived. He said Anthony Williams, his youngest brother, was separated from his wife and twin 6-year-old girls and had an older son and daughter living in Colorado. Williams' injuries were related to a police cruiser accident, his brother said.

Around 1:30 p.m., Costa said, police thought they heard a shot, then saw no one moving around the house and feared that Williams had killed himself.

By 1:50 p.m., his family had reached him by phone. Then John Williams and another

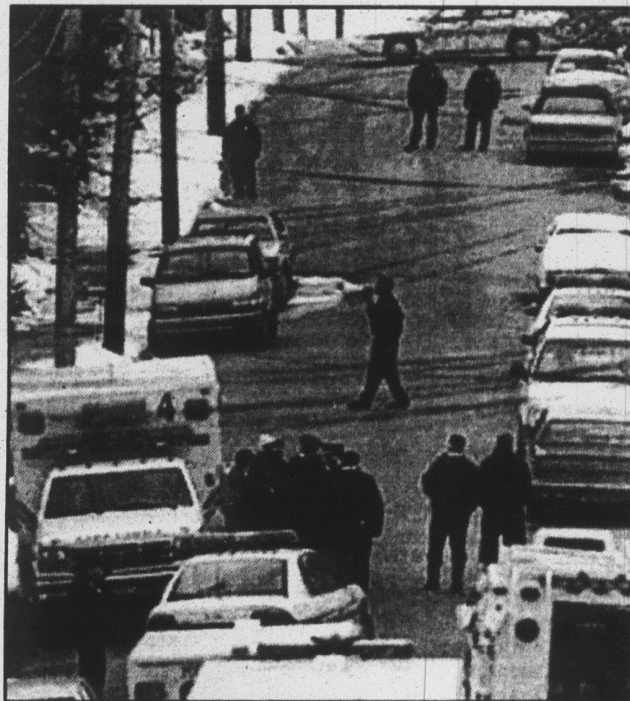
brother, Ronald Williams, took turns talking to him through a bullhorn until he agreed to surrender.

Costa said Williams could be charged with reckless endangerment and terroristic threats.

Prior to joining the Pittsburgh police force Williams served as a hospital coordinator in the Navy and then worked at a veterans hospital in Phoenix.

Before he was fired in 1996, his career as a patrolman had been marked by controversy, including allegations of abuse and a history of personal problems.

In 1994, Williams and the city were sued by Robert G. Beck, a rehabilitation counselor from Shadyside, who claimed Williams beat him in the face with his handgun during an arrest on the South Side in October 1993.



AP File Photo

Pittsburgh police stand outside of Perry Hilltop waiting for the ex-cop to surrender.

### Governor Ridge proposes budget that will benefit many

By John M.R. Bull  
Post-Gazette Harrisburg

HARRISBURG - Flush with an unprecedented surplus churned up by a supercharged economy, Gov. Ridge yesterday proposed a 2000-01 budget laden with goodies for homeowners, businesses, schools, libraries, volunteer firefighters and the working poor.

"The state will see a budget surplus this year and, as the saying goes, I didn't hear any taxpayers telling us to keep the change," Ridge joked.

The plan, which goes to the Legislature for hearings and approval, includes a \$100 tax rebate for homeowners; cuts in a long-reviled business tax; more generous tax exemptions for lower-income families; and an incentive to spur sales of home computers.

The \$100 one-time rebate would go to each of the state's roughly 3.3 million homeowners in the fall.

Businesses would save about \$289 million from reductions in the capital stock and franchise tax. The levy would be rolled back 2 mills, to 8.99 mills, retroactive to Jan. 1. It would be cut an additional 1 mill per year until it is eliminated in 2009. A \$200 minimum payment would be abolished.

Families of four with incomes of \$28,000 or less would be exempt from state income taxes. That is an increase of \$2,000 in the exemption threshold that will cover an additional 56,000 families at a cost to the state of \$16 million.

Overall, Ridge said, the \$19.7 billion spending plan contains the biggest package of tax cuts in state history, \$643 million, while allowing for a \$399 million, or 2.1 percent, spending increase.

Ridge said Pennsylvania has evolved from "a lumbering industrial giant to a nimble tech-

nology leader."

He touted prudent management of the state's finances and the fact that he has proposed tax cuts in every budget since he took office in 1995.

Democrats grumbled about Ridge's election-year tax cuts.

"It's a one-time, election-year gimmick," House Minority Whip Mike Veon, D-Beaver, said of the \$100 homeowner rebates.

"Suddenly, it's an election year, and suddenly, the governor and Republican leaders want a check to drop in people's mail in October," said Dwight Evans, D-Philadelphia.

Half the Senate and all 203 House seats are up for election in November.

There even was a trace of dissatisfaction within Republican ranks.

"We should also look at cutting one of Pennsylvania's most onerous levies - the inheritance tax," said Sen. Melissa Hart, R-Bradford Woods. That tax is 6 percent for descendants, excluding spouses, who don't pay any such tax, and 15 percent for non-descendants.

But House Majority Leader John Perzel, R-Philadelphia, praised Ridge, saying he "has outlined an outstanding, common sense, family-focused, taxpayer-friendly budget."

The state expected to end the fiscal year June 30 with a surplus of more than \$1 billion.

By law, the Legislature must put some of it into the state's Rainy Day Fund, an emergency savings account for when downturns in the economy shrink tax revenue.

Ridge told lawmakers that the Rainy Day Fund, which was about \$66 million when he took office, will swell to \$1.1 billion by June 30.

In calling for phased elimination of the capital stock and franchise tax, Ridge called it

"a two-headed monster, attacking both a company's income and net worth. Even if you don't make a profit, you pay."

Businesses leaders have long sought elimination of the tax. They contend that the tax, the highest among 21 states that levy a capital tax, puts the state at a competitive disadvantage in attracting jobs and investment.

The Ridge budget would give public schools a 3 percent increase, to \$3.8 billion. Special education funding would rise 6.5 percent, to \$766 million.

State colleges and universities, in general, would see an extra 2.5 percent, which may not be enough to stave off tuition increases, Democrats warned.

The budget proposes a 10 percent increase, however, for higher education grants that would free \$28.6 million for an extra 6,200 students.

Libraries across the state would get an extra \$15 million, a 32 percent increase.

Much of the \$400 million from the settlement of a lawsuit with tobacco companies would be routed next year into anti-smoking efforts, to insure the uninsured and to compensate hospitals for caring for the indigent.

Volunteer fire departments would get \$15 million for new equipment or to rehabilitate firehouses.

Ridge proposed that \$4 million be spent to expand the number of screening tests that are performed on babies born in the state.

The budget allocates \$135 million to implement the second year of Pennsylvania's five-year Growing Greener program, which supports local environmental projects, farmland preservation, stream restoration and refurbishing of state parks.

A "holiday" on the 6 percent sales tax on computer purchases could save a consumer roughly \$108 on an \$1,800 computer.

Ridge announced that Microsoft has agreed to help the state establish a Web site that will enable Pennsylvanians to renew or obtain driver's licenses online, get information about local news and weather, and obtain information about their children's homework assignments from school officials.

The site - dubbed PA Power Port - would also help promote business-to-business e-commerce, giving Pennsylvania firms a competitive advantage, Ridge said.

Ridge proposed \$35 million for the Community Revitalization program, which critics call pork barrel spending for legislators' pet projects. It is the same amount Ridge proposed last year, but less than the \$86.4 million lawmakers approved when they passed the current budget.

The budget even had something for criminals - the Corrections Department's budget would grow by \$41 million, to almost \$1.2 billion, to house a projected additional 2,500 inmates next year. A record 38,800 inmates are anticipated to be in state prisons next year.

Among those wading through the budget yesterday were Allegheny County officials, who sought \$5 million in new funding from the state this year to alleviate budget problems. They were reviewing Ridge's proposal trying to determine how much money the county would receive.

City government's sole piece of the package was a \$1.2 million grant for Magistrate's Court. The city has received that amount for two years, after getting \$3.3 million to operate the court in 1998. Mayor Murphy's spokesman, Craig Kwiecinski, said the administration was hoping for more state funds to offset an expected \$580,000 drop in utility tax distribution from changes in the Public Utility Realty Tax Act. But no such offset was in Ridge's budget.



## NATIONAL

## Clinton announces \$1.8 trillion budget that includes health care

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton sent Congress Monday a \$1.84 trillion farewell budget that carves up the burgeoning surpluses by showering billions of dollars on new government programs. It includes a major expansion of health care, while still promising to eliminate the publicly held debt by 2013.

Clinton's eighth and last budget is the opening salvo in what is certain to be an intense battle with Republicans as both parties find the struggle to order the nation's priorities in an era of vast surpluses is no easier than during the past three decades of deficits.

Clinton proposes a host of targeted tax cuts to provide relief to low- and moderate-income taxpayers. But Republicans contend the \$351 billion in tax reduction is far too small.

The budget proposal, contained in mammoth books with black-and-white covers, proposes spending \$1.84 trillion in the budget year that begins Oct. 1, \$45 billion more than the projected spending for the current year, a 2.5% increase.

Clinton lays out his plans for spending what he projects will be \$746 billion in budget surpluses not generated by the Social Security program.

Both Clinton and the Republicans have pledged to use the \$2.2 trillion in Social Security surpluses to pay down the national debt.

But the two sides differ drastically on the non-Social Security surpluses with Clinton pushing to reserve nearly half the \$746 billion projection for additional debt reduction.

Clinton would earmark another \$91 billion to cover 5 million of the estimated 44 million Americans not covered by health insurance, and \$195 billion for a new program to help the elderly pay prescription drug costs. Included in this amount would be \$35 billion for cata-

strophic drug coverage to pay costs that exceed the maximum of \$2,500 in drug payments that Clinton would cover in his main drug plan.

With an eye to the November presidential and congressional campaigns, the budget emphasizes a host of initiatives favored by traditional Democratic constituencies, from boosting help for the working poor to hiring teachers and modernizing schools, increasing protection for the environment and expanding health care coverage.

## Hackers attack three large dot com's and slow down service

By Robert Lemos and Jennifer Mack  
ZDNET NEWS

Online brokerages E\*Trade and Datek Wednesday morning joined eBay, Buy.com, Amazon.com, CNN.com and Yahoo! on the hit list of high-profile Web sites to suffer denial-of-service attacks in the past two days.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation said it will hold a press conference to discuss the attacks in Washington D.C. at 11 a.m. PT. As the incidents mounted, security experts declared that the outages were almost certainly the result of a coordinated effort.

"I don't see how they couldn't be," said Stuart McClure, the president and chief technology officer at Ramparts Security Group LLC in Irvine, Calif. "The symptoms are all the same, the effects are all the same — every time I talk to people [at the afflicted sites] they all say the same things."

Elias Levy, a chief technology officer at Securityfocus.com, a computer security information service, concurred, noting that the rapid succession of disruptions suggests a connection among the attacks. "It would be very difficult to assemble this level of attack so quickly if it were a copycat," said Levy.

On Wednesday morning, online brokerage E\*Trade told CNBC that it was the subject of an attack, but only a small percentage of customers were impacted. The company said it had successfully redirected the attack.

Datek said it was knocked off the Web from 6:30 a.m. to 7:05 a.m. PT due to an apparent attack.

In addition ZDNet was offline for several hours starting at 4:30 a.m. PT. The company said it appeared to have been the target of a

denial-of-service attack.

Users have reported sporadic problems accessing America Online and Microsoft sites, but those companies have not verified attacks.

Web traffic to both eBay, the Web's largest online auctioneer, and Buy.com, an online retailer in the midst of its IPO, were blocked by the cyberattacks Tuesday. Yahoo!, one of the world's biggest — and most reliable — sites was knocked offline for three hours Monday.

The FBI met with Yahoo! executives Tuesday to discuss opening an investigation into its denial of service attack.

Meanwhile, Internet monitoring firm Keynote Systems Inc. reported late Tuesday that Amazon.com Inc.'s Web site was virtually shut down at about 5 p.m. PT Tuesday. According to Keynote, it was able to enter Amazon about 1.5% of the times it tried, and the online store's "inaccessibility looks very similar to what we saw with Yahoo! and eBay and Buy.com." Amazon was not available for comment Tuesday night.

CNN.com was hit later Tuesday.

"At 7 p.m. ET, we were attacked by hackers. A denial-of-service attack occurred until 8:45 p.m. We were seriously affected. We were serving content but it was very inconsistent and very little," said PR director Edna Johnson, in a statement.

"By 8:45 p.m., our upstream providers had put blocks in place that are shielding us and we are now serving content."

eBay, Buy.com and Yahoo! all were targeted by coordinated, distributed denial-of-service attacks — a technique in which attackers use a great number of compromised

servers to flood a target with data. This type of attack takes only limited technical expertise and can be very hard to stop.

"Denial of service is becoming more sophisticated," according to a "white-hat" hacker working for security firm @Stake Inc. who identifies himself as Weld Pond. "The problem is not going away."

## Target No. 1: Yahoo!

The spate of Web attacks began AT 10:30 a.m. PT Monday, when traffic to Yahoo! — the second most popular site on the Web after America Online — took a nosedive. Engineers at GlobalCenter Inc., the hosting service for Yahoo!, initially thought a critical piece of network equipment had failed.

However, GlobalCenter soon realized that malicious attackers were responsible for blocking the key transfer points, known as routers, between Yahoo! and the Internet.

"About half of the entry points in our network were affected," said Laurie Priddy, executive vice president for GlobalCenter, a subsidiary of telecommunications giant Global Crossing Ltd.

A flood of data sent by the attackers, seemingly coming from 50 different IP addresses, overwhelmed the routers managed by GlobalCenter. The flood peaked at 1Gbps, but for the most part the hosting service's other customers were not affected.

"We have a very large network that carries a huge amount of traffic," said Priddy, adding that the capacity allowed its other customers to remain up and running. "We had a small number of customers that called, but no more than any other day."

Yahoo! didn't get back up until 1:30 p.m. PT Monday.

## Target No. 2: Buy.com

The next target, Buy.com, was hit just over 24 hours later. Mitch Hill, chief financial officer for Buy.com, said the denial-of-service attack originated from such disparate points as Chicago, Boston and New York — overwhelming Buy.com's servers.

Buy.com said 800 megabits of data per second hit the site — about eight times the site's capacity. According to Hill, Buy.com normally runs at only 30% of its capacity.

Although the timing of the attack with the company's IPO (initial public offering) appears to be suspect, Hill said there is no evidence it was timed to hurt the company's stock offering. "It is unfortunate that whoever did this chose to attack us on this day," he said.

Prior to the outage Buy.com was experiencing higher than normal traffic because of publicity related to its IPO.

## Target No. 3: eBay

The third target, eBay, was hit five-and-a-half hours after Buy.com. The attack occurred just before 3:20 p.m. PT and lasted throughout Tuesday afternoon and into the evening while eBay worked to filter out the unwanted traffic.

In a statement eBay said: "We are taking multiple measures to fight this, including working with local and federal authorities, ISPs including Sprint, UUNet and AboveNet, our vendors, including Cisco, our partners, and other Internet sites that have recently been attacked in the same way."

Members of the eBay community have been notified that they are eligible to receive a credit if they believe their auctions have been "materially affected" because of the outage. eBay said no internal data related to auction listings or bidding were compromised during the attack.

## Weird and Strange News

## Oh baby!

MONROE, Mich. - Amy Janssen didn't suspect anything amiss when she began experiencing cramps and had to lie down. When she took a bath about three hours later, the cramps worsened. Then the astonishing happened: While in the tub, Amy Janssen delivered a baby girl. She didn't even know she was pregnant. "When the baby came, I called my husband," Amy Janssen, 32, said Saturday while resting in Mercy Memorial Hospital. "I think (he) was more shocked than I was." Her husband, Tim, said he was shocked, but he "thought she had put on a little weight with the holidays." The baby, the couple's first child, weighed 4

pounds, 3 ounces, measured 17.5 inches long.

## She can do anything

YORBA LINDA, Calif. - Barbie's got a new look. She's shed her swimsuit, business suit and military uniform for the inaugural gown of first lady in a new exhibit at The Richard Nixon Library and Birthplace. "Barbie as First Lady" brings together for the first time a handful of private collections, featuring Barbie dolls wearing the inaugural gowns of everyone from Martha Washington to Hillary Clinton. The exhibit takes visitors through the changing fashion of America's politi-

cal leading ladies. It also offers a glimpse into the contributions of first ladies to history. More than 115 dolls don the hand-sewn gowns replicated to scale from drawings, pictures and, in some cases, interviews with the original designers.

## Study links El Niño to diarrhea

LONDON - After linking El Niño with illnesses such as malaria, cholera and dengue fever, scientists now have connected the climatic phenomenon with an increase in childhood diarrhea. The research, led by the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health, also suggests for the first

time that gradual temperature increases related to global warming could foster outbreaks of diarrhea in children living in developing nations. The study of 57,331 children in Lima, Peru, found that an increase in diarrhea cases between 1993 and 1997 was linked to even small rises in temperature.

## Lawmakers trade in state song

JACKSON, Miss. - Some want to strip Go Mississippi of its designation as the state song because it once was a campaign theme of Gov. Ross Barnett. State Sen. Alan Nunnelee wants the song replaced by Mississippi Song.



## INTERNATIONAL

## Another Israeli soldier killed after year-long Lebanese warfare

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) - Muslim guerrillas killed an Israeli soldier in a rocket attack in southern Lebanon today, Lebanese security officials said, shortly after intense Israeli airstrikes.

The Lebanese officials said the Israeli soldier - the sixth to die in south Lebanon this year - was killed when guerrillas fired rockets at the Israeli military outpost at Dabshe. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity.

Earlier today, orange flames and clouds of black smoke rose over Beirut and other parts of Lebanon as Israeli jets bombed a guerrilla base and destroyed power stations, wounding 15 civilians in a powerful strike they had warned was coming.

Fighter planes roared low over the capital for 30 minutes, and large areas across the country were plunged into darkness. The Jamhour substation outside Beirut lost 11 of its 12 transformers. One in the north was completely destroyed, as was the one in the town of Baalbek in the eastern Bekaa valley. Severe

rationing was announced because of the drop in power supply.

Witnesses said the air raids began with concentrated attacks on Baalbek, where jets unleashed five air-to-surface missiles - three on a power station on the edge of the town and two on a Hezbollah guerrilla base in the town.

Hezbollah has been fighting to drive Israeli troops from a security zone Israel established in 1985 to protect its northern settlements from cross-border guerrilla attacks.

Six Israeli soldiers and a senior allied commander have been killed in the fighting in recent weeks. "Those who have harmed us will be harmed," Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak said Monday.

In two separate strikes, jets fired on the Jamhour substation on a hill overlooking Beirut, triggering anti-aircraft fire and tracers that lit up the night sky.

Beyond that, Lebanon does not have the military capability to counter an Israeli attack, but strikes like the ones launched Tuesday

usually invite guerrilla retaliation in the form of Katyusha rockets aimed at Israel's northern border towns.

Tens of thousands of Israelis living near the border fled south or went into bomb shelters, fearing an imminent counterattack by the Iranian-backed Hezbollah.

A Hezbollah statement said the guerrillas "reserve the right to retaliate at the appropriate time, which could come very soon."



AP File Photo

The Israeli/Lebanese conflict claims another life.

## Russia kill Chechen rebels after declaring a victory in Grozny

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

URUS-MARTAN, Russia — With Russia declaring victory in its battle for Grozny, Russian troops killed rebels trying to break out of a village near the Chechen capital and flee to strongholds in the southern mountains, the Defense Ministry said today.

The militants commandeered about 15 trucks from residents of Gekhi-Chu, a village about 15 miles southwest of Grozny. But they were destroyed by Russian forces when they left the village, said a ministry spokesman.

Sergei Yastrzhembsky, an aide to acting President Vladimir Putin, said today that the

Russian forces had also intercepted militants near the villages of Katyr-Yurt and Shaami-Yurt southwest of the Chechen capital and killed about 300 in the last two days.

That statement echoed comments earlier today by a Defense Ministry spokesman, who said Russian troops came across 307 rebel corpses near Katyr-Yurt after shelling it Sunday.

The reports of casualties came a day after Putin declared victory in Russia's drive to take Grozny. He said troops had seized the last of the rebels' strongholds in the city.

Federal forces have repeatedly claimed

success in taking parts of Grozny, a major political prize, only to lose their hold after rebel ambushes and counterattacks.

In an interview published today in a Spanish newspaper, Chechen President Aslan Maskhadov said Chechen forces who left Grozny will eventually recapture the city.

The Chechen leader said the bulk of his forces had left the city in two groups, one of 2,000 fighters that got out safely and another of 300-400 that ran into a minefield and suffered casualties. He did not specify how many.

Maskhadov said small groups of rebels

who did not want to leave may remain in Grozny. He said most Chechen forces have withdrawn to the mountains of southern Chechnya, where thousands more are believed to be based.

Authorities, meanwhile, were moving ahead today to restore services in Grozny, including establishing humanitarian aid operations for civilians who had hidden in basements in the shattered capital for five months.

According to local residents, about 2,000 rebels who had fled Grozny arrived Saturday night in Gekhi-Chu and two neighboring villages.

## Morning-after pill in high schools

By Suzanne Daley  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TRAPPES, France — The students stopping in at the high school infirmary on a recent morning here were making their usual requests: Some wanted aspirin. Others cold medicine. One just wanted a place to cry because she had flunked a math test.

Soon, however — as soon as the nurse here gets her supply — students will also be able to pick up morning-after pills.

Last month, France became the first country in the world to give its school nurses the right to dispense emergency contraception pills. The pills are to be available in both high schools and junior high schools, where students are as young as 12. Although the nurses are advised to make efforts to inform the child's parents, they do not have to.

French health and education officials hope the policy will help lower unwanted pregnancies among teenagers and reduce the country's abortion rate, among the highest in the European Union.

Women's groups and abortion rights activists and even some parents groups see it as a major step toward making contraception more accessible to young people, even those who live a long way from family-planning clinics, those who can not afford to buy the pills and those who are too shy to go to the local pharmacist, who may know everyone in

the village.

The school nurse's union has also hailed the measure as a positive step.

Many nurses, like Chantal Broal, who runs the infirmary at the high school here, believe they will be able to ease the burden on terrified young girls who made a mistake.

But even in a country that has often been a leader in contraception issues, some parents and family rights groups are saying the government has gone too far this time. Some say it is usurping the role of the parent and is encouraging casual sex. Worse still, some say, it may be inadvertently promoting the use of the morning-after pill when the need for condoms to prevent sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS, should be emphasized.

The decision to make the morning-after pill available to schoolgirls follows a decision last June by the French government to allow pharmacists to sell the medicine over the counter without a prescription. France is also the only country to do that. To be effective, the pill, marketed here under the brand name Norvelo, must be taken within 72 hours of having sex. It works by preventing a fertilized egg from implanting itself in the womb.

Similar pills are available in the United States and about 15 countries in Europe but only with a prescription. England alone is currently testing a program that would allow specially trained pharmacists to sell such a pill without a doctor's approval.

## The World In Brief

## Hijackers release dozens; talks continue

STANSTED, England - Eighty-five men, women and children walked do in the tail staircase of a hijacked Afghan plane early Thursday, raising hopes that a hostage drama could be nearing an end. The largest release of hostages so far came about 3:30 a.m., nearly four days after the plane was hijacked. But police said dozens of hostages and their captors were still aboard the Boeing 727, parked at Stansted airport near London. The heavily armed hijackers let women and children leave the aircraft first, said Joe Edwards, Essex County police assistant chief constable. The hostages will be taken to a safe location and undergo medical evaluations, he said.

## Russian tanker to unload cargo

MUSCAT, Oman - A Russian tanker detained by the U.S. Navy for allegedly smuggling Iraqi oil in violation of U.N. sanctions will begin unloading its cargo in an Omani port Thursday, a Foreign Ministry official said. The oil will be emptied either directly into storage tanks in the Fahil port, or onto another tanker before being transferred for storage in the port, the official said Wednesday on condition of anonymity. The vessel, Volga-Neft-47, was seized Feb. 2 in the Gulf of Oman off the United Arab Emirates on suspicion it was carrying Iraqi oil.

## Kurdish rebels end war versus Turkey

ISTANBUL, Turkey - Abdullah Ocalan's rebel group announced Wednesday it will end its 15-year guerrilla insurrection against Turkey and instead pursue a political struggle for Kurdish rights. Turkey has rejected previous overtures from the rebels of the Kurdistan Workers Party or PKK as insincere and is unlikely to welcome the move. In a statement Wednesday, the PKK said it would continue its battle for Kurdish rights within the "framework of peace and democratization." The announcement is part of the group's attempt to transform itself from a guerrilla force into a political organization after major defeats on the battlefield and Ocalan's death sentence last summer.

## NATO troops raid police

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina - U.N. police on Wednesday raided local police buildings in two Bosnian Croat-held towns, finding large caches of illegal weapons and telephone tapping equipment, a U.N. official said. The sweep by the U.N. police, who were backed by NATO-led troops, included the search of a police headquarters in the western town of Livno, where they discovered doors forcibly opened, unauthorized weapons and a room used for telephone tapping, a U.N. spokesman said. Livno is controlled by Bosnian Croat hard-liners.



# SPORTS

## Swim team wins final regular season meet Support WC



Photo by Courtney Behm  
The Titan swim teams will compete at GLIACs from Feb 17-19.

By Jon Bish  
STAFF WRITER

Both Titan swim teams were victorious this Saturday in their home meet against Findlay. The men and women's teams both hold an 8-1 record this year.

The men's 200-yard medley relay, consist-

ing of freshman Jim Mann, senior Dave Gesacion and sophomore's Kurt Rothoff and Chris Giles set a new pool record of 1:36.32. Mann also set a new pool record and qualified for nationals in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 52.08. Rothoff also took first place in the 100-yard breaststroke with a personal best of 59.97. Aaron Francis took first place in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:47:70.

The men's team won every event except for the 100-yard butterfly and the 50-yard freestyle.

"I'm very excited about these times as we're preparing for GLIAC conference championships," Head Coach Rob Klamut said.

The girl's team swam well also, winning the 200-yard medley relay with a time of 1:54.53. The relay consisted of junior Tara (Chunk) Crawford, senior Susie Kenyon, and freshmen Stephanie King and Amanda Zelechowski.

Junior Chrissy Jardine's 1:04.87 took first in the 100-yard fly, while Sophomore Steph Dawson dominated the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 25.48.

"Both teams swam very well and I am extremely pleased with their performances at this meet," Klamut said.

This swim meet was also the host of the Westminster Swimming Senior recognition day. A ceremony was held prior to the meet to acknowledge the achievements of the team's seniors.

"[The Seniors] are finishing their careers with some really great swims," Klamut said. "They all showed leadership and all of the hard work they put in all year is paying off."

A recognition dinner was held following the meet for the swimmers and their families in Russell Dining Hall.

The Titans next meet is the GLIAC Conference Championship meet, which takes place Feb. 17 through Feb. 19 at Wayne State University in Detroit, MI.

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

Over Christmas break, I decided that it would be fun to travel back to my old high school and watch a basketball game. The game was not a special one or a rivalry, just a regular game between two area high schools, but I was shocked.

Not only was the student section packed with students, many of those in attendance were not athletes. Throughout the entire game, the students cheered, yelled and made fun of the refs and the opposing players (which is extremely rude, yet always funny). The section was wearing the school colors of maroon and gold and rooted for Stow High like it was the state championship.

So, I am sitting there, watching this go on, and I can't help but think about basketball games at Westminster. I have gone to almost every home game so far and have been appalled at the lack of fan support and the lethargy of the fans that do attend. Granted, there are those students that are genuinely enthusiastic about the games. For example, the group of freshman men who dress up in ridiculous attire and make fools of themselves at many games. Though their costumes are not blue and white, they are spirited because they show support and try to encourage the other students to cheer.

One men's basketball game that did have an abundant audience was on sorority pickup day. Unfortunately, attending the game was not an option for the sororities, and many of the women there were more concerned about socializing than the score of the game. I do have to give credit to the sororities, though, because they were enthusiastic and did attend to fill the stands for one game. However, fraternity pickup day is coming up, and Coach Dafler accommodated the event by moving the game to later in the day. At least a few frats do not have the game on the schedule for that day, although there are basketball players that are Greek.

Basketball is not the only sport that is going unnoticed. The swim team at Westminster is awesome. Right now, the teams are 8-1, and three swimmers have qualified for nationals. Yet, how many students have gone to a swim meet just to support the athletes and the work that they put into their sport?

The swimmers are one of the few groups at Westminster where you will see at least a few of them at almost every athletic function. They support the Titans, but not enough Titans support them. Unfortunately, there are no more home meets but words of encouragement to the swimmers for the upcoming GLIAC meet (Feb. 17-19 in Detroit) are always appreciated.

Two more home basketball games remain this season. The first is Feb. 19 at 6 and 8 p.m., and the second is the following Saturday at 1 and 3 p.m. Come to the game and show your support for the Titans. Each athlete puts in many hours of hard work, and fan support is one way in which that can be repaid.

Too many Westminster students complain about the lack of things to do in New Wilmington, but these are the same people that sit in their rooms during athletic events while the athletes battle their opponents.

The spring season is rapidly approaching and the baseball and softball teams, along with the men's tennis team and the track team will be contending for GLIAC titles. These sports have gone unnoticed for too long and it is time that the students at Westminster start filling bleachers and cheering for their friends and classmates.

## Titans watch as playoff hopes quickly vanish

By Joe Ruck  
STAFF WRITER

The men's basketball team saw its play-off hopes fade in Detroit on Saturday as the Titans lost to the Wayne State Warriors 73-67.

The Titans (10-10, 5-8) must win their next six games to have a chance for post-season play.

"We have to take it game-by-game," junior forward Henry Kliner said. "It won't be easy, but if we work hard enough, we can pull it out."

Wayne State led the Titans by only four going into halftime. Even though the Titans were down, they led the Warriors in field-goal percentage, 53-43 percent and three-point percentage, 33-30 percent.

In the second half, the lead went back and forth. The Titans, midway through the second half, mounted an eight-point lead only to see it slip away. The Warriors managed to come back from the eight-point deficit and come out with the six-point win.

Wayne State went 12 of 13 from the free throw line in the second half, and that proved to be the deciding factor of the game. Although they lost, the Titans managed to shoot with a higher percentage than the Warriors throughout the whole game.

Wayne State's Jason Poe had a game-high 24 points, while teammates Alex Ward and Charles LeSure followed with 14 apiece. Kliner tossed in 18 points, and fellow Titans Chad Phillips and Andy Wormsley scored 17 and 13 points, respectively.

Westminster's Brian Conrad grabbed a team-high seven rebounds, while Wayne State's Adam Jones led the game with nine. The Titans' Shane Lanigan led the game with six assists.

The Titans face a tough schedule for their final six games, with only on the Titans' home turf.

## Women's team still struggling

By Aaron Wik  
STAFF WRITER

The Westminster Lady Titan basketball team saw its record drop to 3-16 overall and 0-12 in Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) play, as the Lady Titans dropped a 66-35 decision February 5, in Detroit, to league rival Wayne State University. The Warriors improved to 10-10 overall and 6-7 in the GLIAC with the victory.

The game was decided in the first half, as Wayne State took a commanding 35-12 lead into the locker room at halftime.

Terra Truvillion led the way for WSU with a game-high 12 points. Jen Amy added a "double double" with 11 points and a game-

high 10 rebounds.

The Warriors dominated by out-rebounding the Lady Titans by a margin of 39-40.

For Westminster, senior forward Becky Snyder and freshman forward Teale Ganster led the way with eight points apiece. Ganster also grabbed a team-high five rebounds.

In the second half, the Lady Titans attempted to come back while playing an excellent half, but the deficit from the first half was too much to overcome.

"We've played one good half in just about every game," freshman Jen Petures said. "We need to play the entire game well in order to win some games."

Coach Reddinger was not available for comment.

## Campus hosts Special Olympics

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Special Olympics program is beginning next week. Every Saturday and Sunday for eight weeks, volunteers will be needed to assist with basketball and swimming. Basketball will begin on Feb. 19 and continue on Saturdays from 9-11:30 a.m. and swimming will be the following Sundays from 4-5 p.m.

Special Olympics of Lawrence County is part of Special Olympics International, which was founded in 1970. In that time, it has grown from a single track and field event to offering many competitions in different sports. Lawrence County alone offers figure skating, bowling, basketball, golf, aquatics and volleyball.

Westminster only hosts basketball and aquatics in the late winter and early spring.

Participation for Special Olympics is open to all children and adults with mental retardation. Athletes can begin training at age eight and continue throughout their entire life.

Volunteers for Special Olympic basketball and swimming do not need athletic talent to participate. For basketball, students help the

athletes at stations and while they are playing. At the swimming events, helpers play with the athletes in the water, assisting with games and other events. The sports are rewarding to the athletes as well as the volunteers. The benefits for the athletes include improved physical fitness and motor skills, greater self-confidence, a more positive self-image, friendships, and increased family support.

The mission statement is simple. "Special Olympics is an international movement, which, through year-round sports, training and competition in the Olympic tradition, gives people with mental retardation the chance to strengthen their character, develop their physical skills; display their talents and fulfill their human potential."

Volunteers are desperately needed for swimming and basketball. Attending these events counts towards community service for the college and is extremely rewarding. Helpers do not need to be at all eight weeks of the events.

"Volunteering is a beneficial experience for both the volunteer and the athlete," sophomore Shannon Simmons said. "I had a lot of fun helping with basketball last year and I plan to do it this year, whenever I can."





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# OPINION

## Question of the week

### What are you doing for Valentine's Day?

**Laurie Sampson**, sophomore  
"I'm going to Niagara Falls with someone special."



**Mike Cosgrove**, sophomore and **Jeanetta Antus**, freshman  
"We are going out to eat at Red Lobster."

**Clark Stephenson**, freshman  
"I'm going skydiving."



**Sarah Lohr**, sophomore  
"It's me and my boyfriend's one year anniversary on the 12th so we're celebrating both on the 12th."



**Ashley Law**, junior  
"My fiancé lives in Rhode Island, so I'll probably go out to dinner with one of my good friends."

**Christopher Giles**, sophomore  
"I'm having lots of warm apple pie."

**Donna Macurdy**, junior  
"I'm having a get together for people who don't have Valentines and we're going to hang out and watch movies."



**Dobber**, junior  
"I'm spending quality time with my girlfriend Jill."



**Liz Gonda**, junior  
"I'm taking my best friend out for dinner."

**Nora Drake**, junior  
"Nothing, absolutely nothing."  
**Ryan Saelor**, sophomore  
"It's a surprise."

## OUR VIEW: Getting Off Campus

It happens every year. Over 100 men and women file anxiously into the TUB to face their fate of whether or not they will receive a bid for off-campus housing.

Done by lottery, the system has improved in many ways. For example, groups can now only draw one number. This benefits individuals who are getting off-campus alone because their odds are not an entire group against one. However, the system isn't the issue with which the students are upset.

When a junior is living across the hall from a senior and next door to a freshman, there are housing problems. The college states that Westminster requires students to live on campus in order to keep them involved and to maintain relationships with other students through dormitory living. They also claim to have proof that students who live on campus perform better academically.

If a senior has not established activities and are doing poorly in the classroom, the chance of them making improvements is slim. (Sorry to all those hopeful seniors.)

The college also states that the town of New Wilmington cannot support the number of students who want off-campus. As it is, only 25 women and 15 men were allowed off-campus out of the over 100 students who showed up at the off-campus drawing.

But what about students who want to migrate toward about towns in the area like Sharon, Hermitage or New Castle? There is plenty of housing to allow a larger majority of students off-campus.

Two years ago, the college ran into a housing problem with women. Instead of allowing more students the option of moving off-campus, the college decided to transform the residence hall study lounges into dorm rooms. A very interesting solution...but why?

Instead, why not add to the numbers of off-campus housing? No matter when you add to

the numbers, whether it be in the fall or summer, the response would have been fantastic.

Another problem is the fairness of the system. If a member of a group of six draws the first bid, they take the entire group is granted off-campus housing and they take up six of the 25 positions.

When one person is looking to move off-campus and is denied because a group of six took up six of the slots, there is an issue. The groups should count as one person. If the first four people have groups of six with them, then the drawing is over.

The campus knows that just about everything comes down to numbers: dollar signs,

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the number of rooms and so forth. However, if the college lets a few more people off, they will be able to accept a few more good students to the college. We are not suggesting lowering the standards just to fill space. But if qualified students apply, instead of turning the perspectives away, let more upperclassmen out of the dorms.

Then, there is the issue of Greek housing. First of all, independents should draw first. The Greek women have the option to move into the "luxury" sweets in Ferguson, and the Greek men can move into the frat houses.

But where can independent women and men live? That's right...in the same place that

they have lived since freshman year: the dorms.

The college is also cracking down on who will receive off-campus benefits due to a doctor's excuse.

In the past, many students have received written permission from their doctor stating that due to medical reasons the student should not be living in the dormitory.

We do not suggest that the college let everyone off-campus because we also agree that it is important to build relationships through dormitory life. However, seniors, and perhaps all upperclassmen, should have that option.

We believe that the college will find many students who still choose to live in the dorms primarily due to the lack of housing in the vicinity. But at least the college will have given the students options.

Also, if more students get off-campus, more New Wilmington landlords will build or decide to rent apartments.

Geneva College takes an interesting approach by providing student apartments as housing. Though you have to be an upperclassman in most circumstances, it allows an option.

Westminster has mentioned that they would like to eventually get apartment-like housing in the future...but we know how quickly things are done around year.

Upperclassmen should have something to look forward to (besides graduation of course). When you reach your senior year and you're living next to a freshman, it's almost insulting.

It's time to reevaluate the situation and look at the interests of the students, especially the seniors. Give them a housing privilege to look forward to, and students will be much more content to live their first three years years in the dorms.

## EDITORIAL CARTOON



"Actually, he's your roommate. I'm just changing his water."

### Do you have an opinion? LET US HEAR IT!

If you have an opinion to voice about any campus related topic, write a letter to the editor. Letters should be turned into the Holcad no later than Monday at noon, and they will appear in the following Friday edition. Please limit your letters to 300 words or less. Also, be sure they are typed and include the name of the author(s).

Letters can be e-mailed to [holcad@westminster.edu](mailto:holcad@westminster.edu), sent by campus mail to box 157, or dropped off at the Holcad office in the top of the TUB.

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# Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

In recent months I have noticed a disturbing yet growing trend. It seems that many people on Westminster's Campus are becoming more unconcerned for those around them. In fact, I have noticed that many people are downright rude.

Sadly this is not the way it was when I first came to campus. My freshman year, people went out of their way to hold doors or give a smile or friendly hello whether or not they knew that person. However, lately that has not been true. I have noticed that people tend to walk with their heads down, or do their best to avoid making eye contact. This way they can avoid saying hello. Maybe it is uncomfortable, but maybe that isn't always a bad thing.

Westminster is a college campus although it does not seem that way sometimes. The cliques on this campus are numerous and can be vicious at times. I thought that when I made it into college I would be entering a new world. A world where people were more mature. For the most part people are. However, many are not. Look around you next time in the cafeteria, just like high school it is divided and people have "their tables."

I am not saying that it is wrong to have your group of friends. What I am saying is this. Next time you're walking down the sidewalk say hello. Hold the door for someone and venture out beyond your comfort zone a little. I think you'll be happy you did.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Mann

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to last week's editorial, particularly the comment "we admit to hearing many complaints that CPC doesn't sponsor anything that the students want to see."

CPC, or Campus Programming Committee, is responsible for bringing off campus acts and entertainers to the campus. It is an organization that is open to all students on campus at any time. You don't have to be elected to CPC, or pay money to be a member. You can simply show up to our weekly meetings. (We are in the process of changing the time of our weekly meeting, but we will notify the campus when we have a set time and place.)

At these meetings, we review different groups who would like to perform at Westminster. As a group, we vote on whether or not a particular act would be popular here on campus. In other words, we, your peers, vote based on what we think you want to see.

If students want to change this, if they feel CPC is failing to do its job, then they should speak up. As stated earlier, meetings are open to everyone. If you have a suggestion for CPC, stop by the CPC office (Next to the Argo office, 3rd floor of the TUB). CPC has office hours: MWF 3-4 p.m., and TR 12:30-2:00 p.m. If you have any questions about CPC or the types of entertainment we bring to campus, or even any suggestions, stop by and visit during these times. You can also call us at extension 7057.

Members of CPC will be attending the annual NACA Convention in Boston from February 16th to February 20th. It is at this convention where we will see many entertainers and bands. If students would like to see a particular group here at campus, they should let representatives of CPC know.

CPC brings entertainment to the campus as a whole, not select groups. Students must find their voices and speak up. Nothing can change until they do.

Sincerely,

Laura Stanley  
CPC Secretary

Dear Editor,

We appreciate that your "Opinion" writer is so concerned about the on-campus activities. However, while reading your opinion article in the February 4th paper, we came upon some fallacies regarding the Campus Programming Committee. Your writer states that "With the exception of VolleyRock, the campus lacks a large event...." This is not true. On February 25th, the Mardi Gras celebration will take place. This is a large event. Lil' Sib's weekend will be held March 24-26th. This is another large, all-campus event. We are aware that there is not a large event in the Fall Semester, however, we plan to hold the Gala Ball next fall, which will be yet another large, all-campus event.

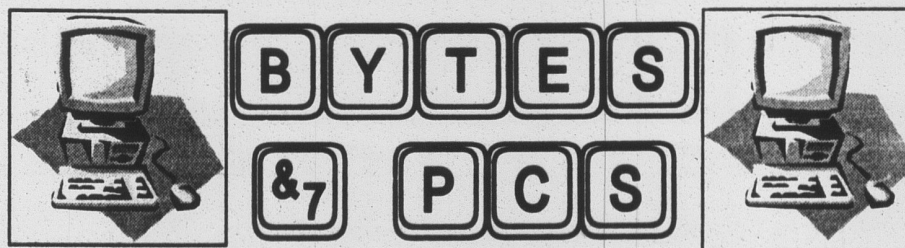
Your writer also mentions that CPC has no time for such activities as advertising because it is connected with SGA. Again, this is not true. The chair and co-chair are the only people that spend time with SGA. They attend a weekly, executive board meeting as well as the regular SGA meetings. Our association with SGA is very important. Without that association, a programming committee would lack the necessary funding, as well as the proper facilities to provide entertainment.

CPC attempts to bring entertainment that will be enjoyed by everyone. In the article, your writer states, "CPC does not sponsor anything that the students want to see." Then we ask: What do the students want to see? If students would go to the events and decide that they do not like the entertainment that we bring then they should go to the CPC meetings, send an e-mail (cpc@westminster.edu) or go to an SGA meeting where they can speak with the chair or co-chair of CPC. We welcome any and all opinions.

The students must also know that the entertainers that are brought to this campus are the top college entertainers. Craig Karges, who was here in the fall, has been named Variety Entertainer of the Year for College Campuses each year from 1990-1999. Several years ago, CPC sponsored a concert by "Ben Folds Five". At the time they were not a well-known band. CPC also has brought "The Clarks" to the campus in the past and is bringing them again for this year's Mardi Gras. As you may notice, CPC brings quality entertainment. Perhaps the entertainers are not well known at the time they are brought, but it is possible that each will someday be very popular. We urge students to keep this in mind.

As we have stated, there are some fallacies in your "opinion" article. In the future we hope and would appreciate that you and your staff writers would fully research an organization and get the facts before printing an article.

—Campus Programming Committee



Computer users beware: before clicking "Yes" or "I agree" or "Install," know what the consequences can be of downloading software. This is especially true with America Online.

If you wonder why students connecting to TitanNet must agree not to install AOL software after being connected to Westminster's TitanNet, you might want to read the article on Windows Magazine's Web site. Asking "AOL 5.0: The Upgrade of Death?" it reports on the magazine's technical tests in which installations of AOL caused computer crashes.

It states, "AOL can reduce a perfectly good computer system to a paperweight."

Ted Bridis, writing for The Associated Press in Washington, reports, "The latest software from America Online Inc., the world's largest Internet provider, can prevent customers from using rival online services or corporate connections... Critics contend version 5.0 of America Online's Internet software...sometimes cripples existing Internet accounts with rival companies and prevents AOL users from signing for service with competitors."

America Online discounts these complaints, saying users don't understand the consequences of clicking "yes" during installation of their product.

Bridis quotes AOL executive director for client software Jeff Kimball as saying, "If a member picks yes, we make their lives simple."

Bridis interprets this as meaning "AOL seizes responsibility to display all Web pages, send all e-mail and exclusively perform other tasks online." It wipes out previous settings, making it impossible for a Westminster student to access his/her network drives and/or GroupWise account.

Bridis reports one incident of a woman in New York whose laptop had been configured to connect to her university. She installed AOL's latest version with the result that her computer crashed and the manufacturer's only suggestion to her was to reinstall her entire Windows operating system. Although the woman did this three times, she finally had to take the laptop to a repair shop where she paid \$145 to get it fixed.

Westminster's Computer HelpDesk will not reconfigure your TitanNet connection if you have installed AOL and can no longer connect to the Internet through the college network.

If you take your computer home and need a local internet service provider there, check to make sure the one you choose does not make changes to your current network configuration.

## CONVENTION from page one

ered politics since 1957."

Novak serves as a commentator of Cable News Network (CNN), where he co-hosts the Evans and Novak interview program. He also appears on and serves as co-executive producer of CNN's political roundtable Capital Gang and regularly co-hosts Crossfire.

Today's events will begin at 3 p.m. in the gym with a continuation of the debate of the platform that began Feb. 2 and will conclude with voting on the candidates by the state chairs and representatives.

"I'm really excited about the convention," said Heidi Krieger state delegate of Illinois. "I think it will be a great learning experience and should be a lot of fun for everyone."

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



## D. Bash

About halfway through *Scream 3*, resident horror movie buff Randy makes an appearance from beyond the grave via video tape and compares the scream trilogy to *Star Wars* and the *Godfather*: a clear case of blasphemy to say the least. As if this is not enough, he tops the pair off with an allusion to *Reservoir Dogs*.

No, the *Scream* trilogy will never reach the heights of acclaim scaled by the previously mentioned trilogies, nor will it ever be as cool or hip as *Reservoir Dogs*. Still, it need not be totally dismissed. If nothing else, it will be remembered for inspiring a slew of hardly inspired rip-offs.

The third and final chapter in the *Scream* Trilogy does not excel far past the second, if at all. While the first *Scream* was original, inventive, and best of all, scary, the 3rd is too geared toward laughs (which are hit and miss) and makes a tepid attempt at making you take it seriously.

These things considered, it's not all bad. All your favorite characters (Sidney, Gale and Dewey) are back, and if you enjoyed the first two films, this one will not disappoint completely, especially if compared to *Scream 2*.

There are still pop-culture references (not as good as before) and a slew of cameos: most notably, Jay and Silent Bob, who, although their appearance is a nice (if not random) touch, they offer incredibly weak and unfunny dialogue. New comer and the always sexy Parker Posey is a standout as the Stab 3 version of Gale Weathers and steals the show from *Scream* veterans.

The ways *Scream 3* falls short of excellence appear most easily by comparing it to the original. While *Scream* managed to convey an actual sense of foreboding and dread, *Scream 3* does little more than occasionally startle.

The plot, which involves a new killer mysteriously leaving pictures of Sidney's mom with all of their victims, and the filming of Stab 3 (which does make for a nice movie within a movie feel) is a mess. It's a mish mash of old characters, new characters, and an extremely forced plot that leaves the viewer feeling as though Ehren Kruger wrote it while someone held a gun (or knife) to his head. Far from cohesive, many aspects of the story line exist only as a vague outline and beg to be developed more deeply.

*Scream* created a fresh horror movie villain with the introduction of the "ghostface" mask killer. It's still affective, and it's a good thing because, barring Posey's character, the introductions of new characters are not han-

dled with finesse. Throwing new, shallow characters into the end of this trilogy, especially into key roles does not work well and, in the end, ruins any attempts at seriousness or profound story twists.

A lack of character development marred *Scream 2* and the trend continues here. It's hard to feel for or get excited about one-dimensional characters thrown into the center of the main story-line, as if we knew they were an integral part of the story all along.

Troubles aside, *Scream 3* is a bearable mess at the very least. For anyone who liked *Scream 2*, it may even qualify as a good movie. Mostly though, it reminds us that *Scream* would have been better off left alone,

comedy/action/thriller/horror flick.

Well, K. voiced her disapproval of Neve right off. There's something about that girl she can't like. However, Bash and I both agreed that though we wouldn't marry Neve, we still wouldn't deny her a turkey sandwich should she ask. Perhaps a little iced tea for refreshment. However we received the "you boys" from Kathy, and decided to observe the rest of the movie in silence lest we enrage the possibly dangerous creature (for as my father told me, "Son, some things are just better left unsaid").

Oh, by the way, Westgate Cinemas has free refills on their beverages, and their popcorn is pretty good despite the fact that it prob-

sequel, excuse me, trilogy deal needs to end. Let it go Wes.

The movie was filled with your favorite *Scream* actors and actresses. You still have Neve Campbell, Courtney Cox Arquette, and David Arquette, as well as a few less prominent others. Also now there are a few additions which are added to the curious mix such as Parker Posey, Patrick Dempsey, and even Wes Craven our beloved director.

Sidenote: Courtney and David? What was she smoking? I have never see a man more observably clueless than David Arquette. Call ATT anyone?

I digress once again....

The plot was quite wish-washy, but still made enough sense to be entertaining. It seems that the new movie *Stab 3 Return to Woodsboro* is being made and strangely enough the actors and actresses who are playing the role in this movie based on the Woodsboro murders are being killed themselves by a (surprise!!!) white-masked, cloaked killer. The previous *Scream* cast conglomerates to solve yet another mystery.

The acting in this movie was basically pretty good for all of the actors and actresses definitely made sure that the movie lived up to its name by supplying as many shrieks, cries, and yelps as possible. The frantic running, punching, kicking, and overall flurry of activity in the movie was tiring. Even though I was guzzling copious amounts of Pepsi, and clumsily flinging popcorn into my mouth, all the action in the movie tuckered me out by the end. Yes, I was pleased with how the roles were played - everyone had a good set of lungs.

The sets were interesting, and what made it even more interesting was that it seemed that the audience was watching a movie inside another movie. We observed the making of *Stab 3* (a movie about the Woodsboro murders) in *Scream 3*. An interesting premise. The best set was at the end inside a horror film producer's spooky old house with all of the necessary freaky antiques, hidden passages, and horror film props in the basement. Excellent!!!

Overall, *Scream 3* is a film which is to be viewed only for entertainment's sake. Don't expect to be metamorphasized into a new profound entity. Just go see the movie if you want to have some fun and forget your cares for a while. Don't analyze, just ease the seat back and enjoy the ride.

P.S. It would probably be best viewed in a somewhat less-than-sober state.



to be remembered as a single, victorious entry in the horror genre, instead of turning into a tired trilogy with hack sequels.

## Ash

Three's company, third time's a charm, trilogy? How about three's a crowd. That's basically how it is for the movie *Scream 3*. It's what you expect it to be, a sequel.

Well, our latest movie reviewing crowd (Ash, Bash, and Kathy "scary ski mask" Barone) piled into the infamous Probe GT and cruised to see the latest film of the week. Some of us were hungover, some just tired, but nonetheless all ready to see an

ably has more fat in it than a backpack of Whoppers and more sodium than the Atlantic. Can you say water retention? Anyway....where was I again, ah yes, *Scream 3*....

Well, basically *Scream 3* was pretty much what you would expect- thrilling, entertaining, and full of gory, violent, scary scenes. However, on the same token it was quite unbelievable and predictable. I must admit there was some decent humor (primarily supplied by a cameo appearance by our favorite duo Silent Bob and Jay), as well as a fast paced plot which always kept the audience in suspense. But I must say that I think that the

## Boy band movie produced by MTV

By Kenra McClymonds  
A&E EDITOR

Whether you love or despise the popular teenybopper music from groups like the Back Street Boys, 'N Sync, and 98\*, you're going to want to watch MTV's original TV movie, "2gether", airing on Feb. 21st.

Directed by acclaimed video director, Nigel Dick (Guns N' Roses, Britney Spears), "2gether" is a spoof on the current craze of cute wonder-boy bands on the music scene

today.

The plot features an inept music manager who has just been fired from his job with MTV-darlings-of-the-moment. He then combs the country in a search to find the perfect, fail-safe formula to bring fanatic teenage girls to their knees while knocking his former band off the charts.

His creation is "2gether", whose members consist of the necessary "heart throb," the "rebel," the "cutie," the "shy guy" and the "older brother."

For all those on campus who adore this type of stereotypical band, this movie will offer great pop rock and lots of hot guys. For those who cannot stand these wonder-boy tunes, catch the movie as it makes fun of every aspect of this sappy music with songs such as, "U + Me = Us," "Say It (Don't Spray It)," and "You're My Baby Girl."

For more information about the upcoming movie, go to [mtv.com](http://mtv.com) for pictures and video clips.



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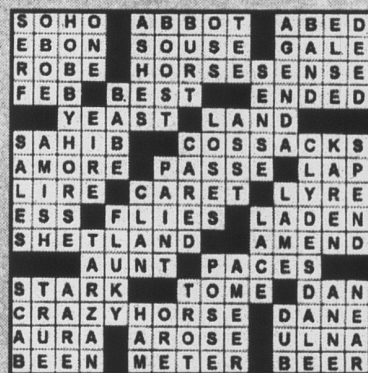
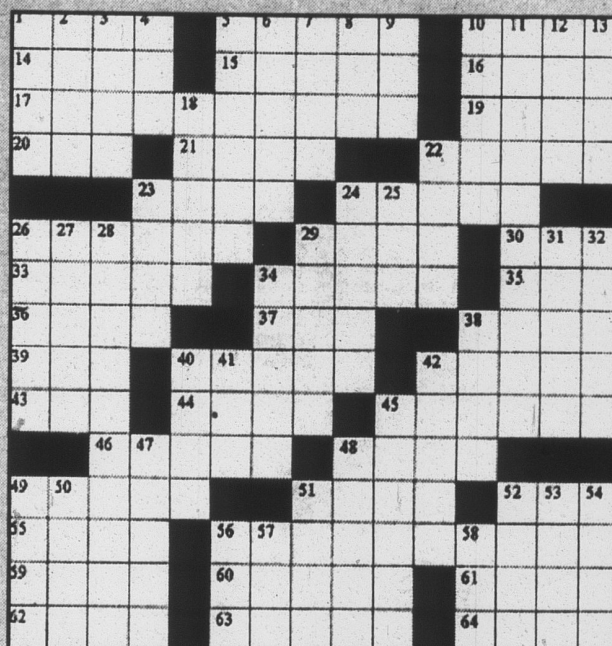


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15. Calvary sword
16. Emmet Kelly's "Weary Willie"
17. Breakfast baba
19. Arabian prince
20. Hill dweller
21. Regrets
22. Madison Ave. workers
23. Commies
24. Trunk
26. Ornate décor
29. Ms. Teasdale
30. Forty-winks
33. Wading bird
34. NATO's adversaries
35. Pvt.'s superior
36. Pub offerings
37. Jima
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43. Lanka
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60. In the wind
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8. Annoy
9. Poor grade
10. Huts
11. Infectious influenza
12. Tony's cousin?
13. Undecided
18. Build
22. Coach Paraseghian et al
23. Seafoods
24. Fortune telling cards
25. Sphere
26. Pages and pages
27. Watcher
28. Plastic payment
29. Ed Norton's milieu
31. Computer company
32. Entreat
34. Fathers
38. Give over
40. Policemen
41. Summer cooler
42. Librarian's rubber stamp
45. Aviators
47. Large Japanese dog
48. Peach State city
49. The Crimson Tide
50. Mr. Greenspan
51. Store
52. Change the furnishings
53. Neighborhood
54. Nicholas or Peter
56. Mouse's foe
57. ET's ride
58. Pen point




## HOROSCOPES

**Aries**

Through reasons beyond your control, you may be forced to slow down. Go with the flow rather than make waves because any upset you cause now will make the situation even more difficult later on.

**Taurus**

You may attract large groups or be part of a group that shares a common goal. You will discover that many people are responsive to your ideas. They may be looking for a leader, and you have all the necessary qualifications.

**Gemini**

You may think a project is near completion, but there may be small details that have been overlooked. You may spend the day dreaming about a career change. It's a good time to think and dream but wait to communicate important information to others.

**Cancer**

Seize the day's advantage and connect with someone emotionally. Issues that have been buried may arise, but all will turn out for the best. This week allow time to relax and plan for the future.

**Leo**

You may find that you need to share or pool resources with others. This collaboration will be for the best so go with it, even though the benefit may not be obvious.

**Virgo**

Relationships will be the focus this week. You need to realize everyone has at least one quality you admire, so keep your mind and heart fixed on that idea, and things won't seem so bad.

**Libra**

Beware if you're making a luxury purchase this week-even if the cost seems reasonable. There is usually a good reason why the price has been reduced you might have to do some research to find out what's going on.

**Scorpio**

A great week for romance for Scorpio with your heightened sense of imagination and fun. Plan an intimate rendezvous or a quiet candlelit dinner for two. If neither is possible, then use your sense of imagination to bring your dreams to life.

**Sagittarius**

Too much of a good time may catch up with you and leave you feeling drained. Think about canceling the moving van - this is not a good time to move your home or office.

**Capricorn**

It's a good week to chat with others. You will find like-minded people to share your ideas and opinions with, and even small talk will be interesting and enjoyable.

**Aquarius**

Check your bank account balance before you go out and make that dream purchase, even though it seems very practical. As hard as it may be in light of your desires, try to keep a firm grip on reality.

**Pisces**

All eyes will be on you, so make the most of it. Opportunities will present themselves just make sure you don't miss them while busy on less important matters. Do something for yourself to take advantage of your high energy level.



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| <b>Double Jeopardy (R)</b>    | <b>Pokemon: The First Movie (G)</b>    |
| <b>End of Days (R)</b>        | <b>The World Is Not Enough (PG-13)</b> |
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| <b>Down to You (PG-13)</b>            | <b>Scream 3 (R)</b>       |
| <b>Girl, Interrupted (R)</b>          | <b>Stuart Little (PG)</b> |
| <b>The Green Mile (R)</b>             |                           |

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| <b>The Green Mile (R)</b>    |                           |

**Guthrie Theatre**  
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# CLASSIFIEDS

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MORNING FELLOWSHIP:** Tuesday Morning Fellowship, Feb. 15, at 7:30 a.m. at Lindley Dining Hall will be led by Irene Walters.

**FACULTY FORUM** is on Wednesday, Feb. 16, at 11:30 a.m. in Orr Auditorium features R. Tad Greig, director of bands, who will present "A Musical Story without Words: A Musical Portrayal of Rosa Parks and the Civil Rights Movement."

**DRESS FOR SUCCESS** Business Etiquette Dinner and Style Show is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 24, at 5:30 p.m. in Russell Dining Hall. This is a free event open to all students, but there is limited seating. Pick up ticket and choose entree at the Career Center.

**ALL-CAMPUS MEETING** on Tuesday, is scheduled Feb. 29 at 11 a.m. in Beeghly Theater. Please mark your calendars.

## WANTED

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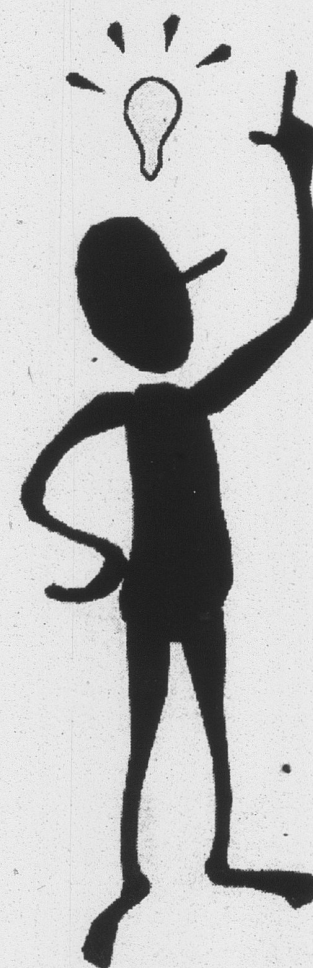
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# Calendar of Events

## FRIDAY 11

Newman Club Carnation Sale - Mealtimes in Duff Dining Hall  
 11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel  
 Mock Convention - Field House  
 3:00 p.m. Called to Order  
 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Recess  
 7:00 Convention Reconvened  
 Presidential Nominating Speeches  
 Roll Call of States  
 Acceptance Speech of Nominee for Vice-President  
 Awards Presentation  
 6:30 p.m. Mock Convention Pre-Convention Entertainment — Field House

## SATURDAY 12

Men's and Women's Indoor Soccer Intramurals  
 LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY  
 Ski Club Trip to Seven Springs for Night Skiing — Leave at 2:45 p.m., return by 12:30 a.m.  
 9:30 a.m. Residence Life RA Selection Meeting — TUB A/B  
 11:00 a.m. Alpha Phi Omega Story Hour - McGill Children's Library  
 1:00 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Findlay, OH  
 3:00 p.m. Men's Basketball @ Findlay, OH  
 3:00 p.m. Piano Recital: Karl Geiger — Orr Auditorium  
 7:00 p.m. Mass — Chapel  
 8:30 p.m. "Valentino" — Down Under

## SUNDAY 13

3:00 p.m. Instrumental Chamber Ensemble Recital — Chapel  
 6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting @ Chapter House  
 7:00 p.m. Vespers - Chapel  
 9:00 p.m. "The Sopranos" — Down Under  
 10:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

## MONDAY 14

VALENTINE'S DAY  
 Phi Mu Carnation Week  
 11:40 a.m.-12:10 p.m. - Chapel  
 5:30 p.m. Panhellenic Meeting - TUB A/B  
 5:30 p.m. Phi Kappa Tau Meeting - HSC 152

6:00 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall  
 6:15 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112-113  
 6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - TUB A/B  
 6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116  
 6:30 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311-312  
 8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230  
 9:15 p.m. Lambda Sigma Meeting — TUB A/B

## TUESDAY 15

3:30 p.m. Residence Life "Last Lecture" Series — TUB Lounge  
 5:30 p.m. Residence Life RA Interviews — TUB Lounge  
 6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting — TUB A/B  
 6:00 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Grove City  
 7:00 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal — Chapel  
 8:00 p.m. Celebrity Series: An Evening of Andrew Lloyd Webber-Orr Auditorium

## WEDNESDAY 16

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 Diversity Symposium Block I Begins  
 11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum: Tad Grieg, "A Musical Story Without Words: A Musical Portrayal of Rosa Parks and the Civil Rights Movement — Orr Auditorium Stage  
 6:30 p.m. Diversity Symposium: Study Abroad Program — TUB Lounge  
 7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
 8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B  
 8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
 9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - TBA

## THURSDAY 17

11:00 a.m. Staff Training Opportunity: Making Images WEB Ready—HSC 172  
 Men's and Women's Indoor Soccer Intramurals  
 3:00 p.m. Career Center Teacher Interviews — TUB A/B  
 6:00 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Gannon  
 7:00 p.m. IFC Meeting - TUB A/B  
 8:00 p.m. Bleasby Colloquium: Lynn Emmanuel, guest poet—Phillips Lecture Hall  
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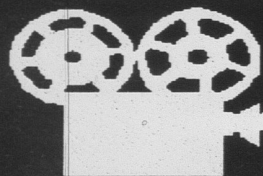
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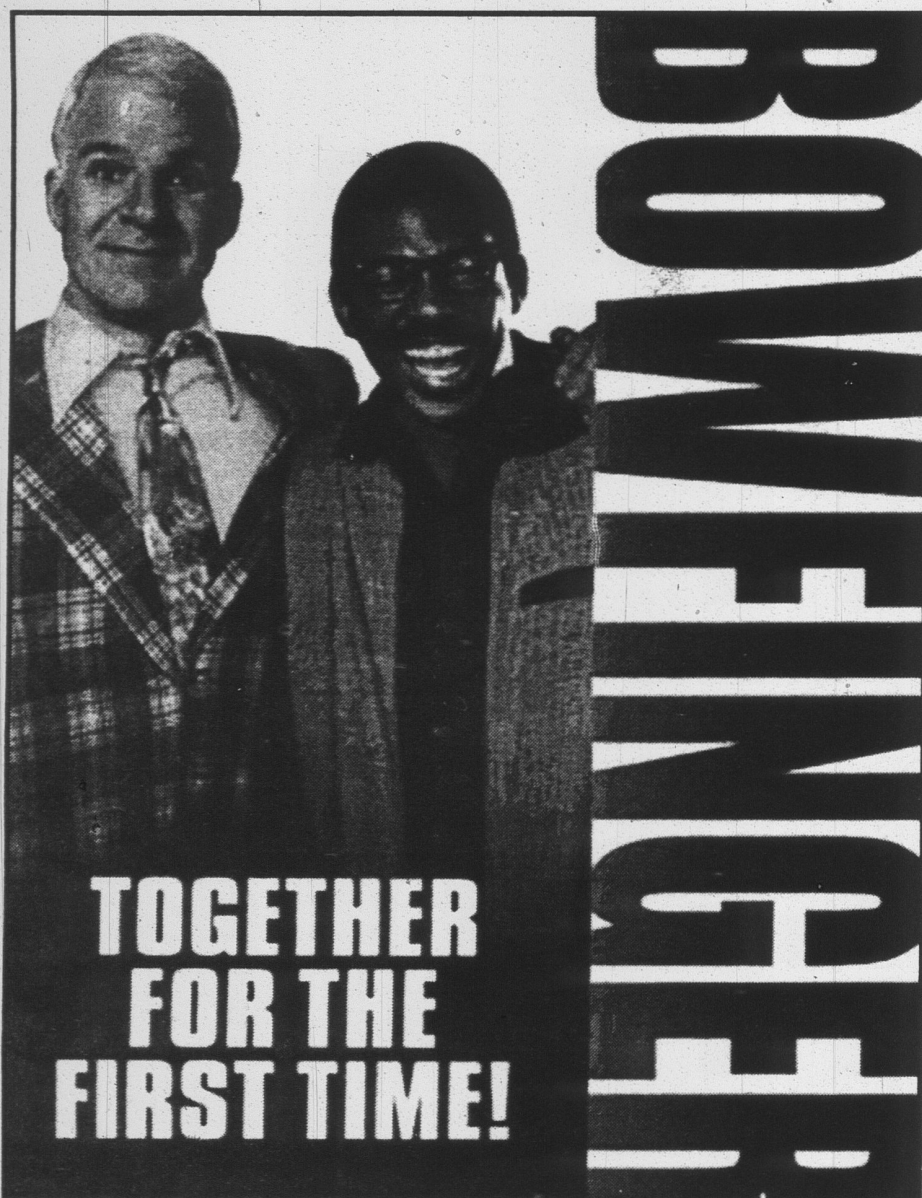
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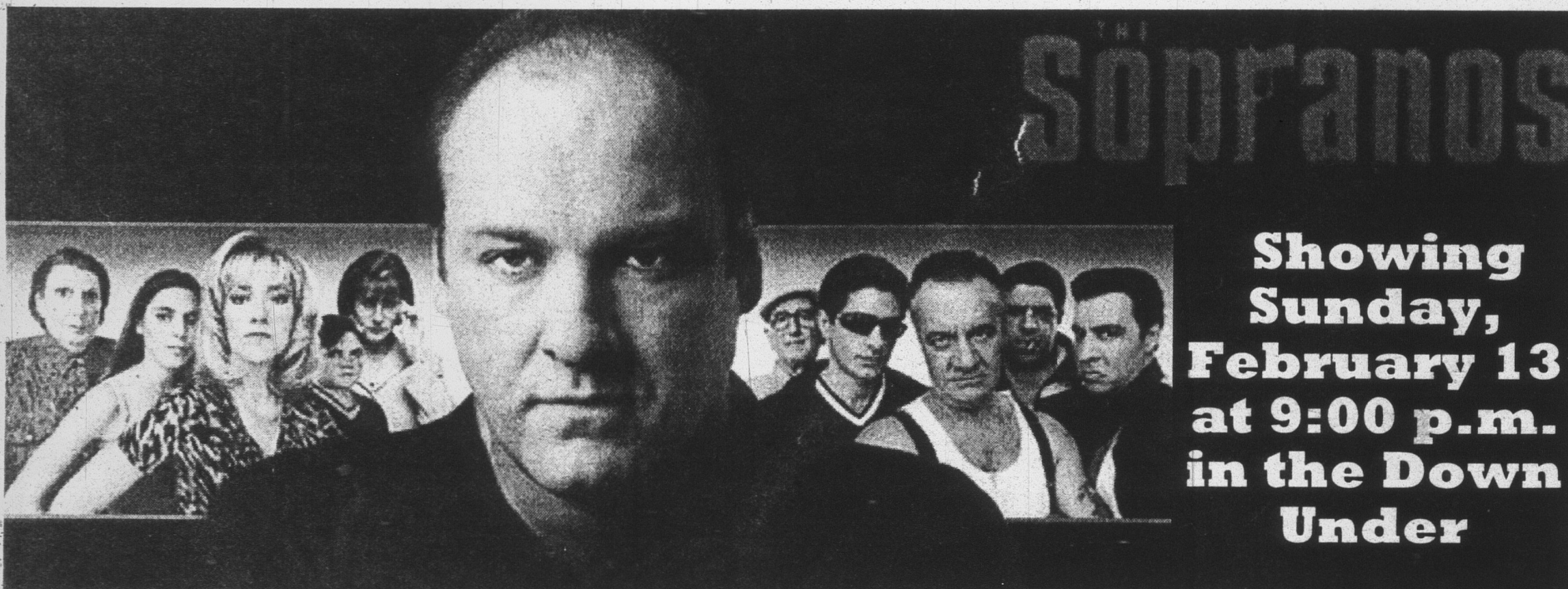
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## McCain wins Mock Convention

By Brad Dell  
MANAGING EDITOR

"I humbly and graciously accept the Republican nomination for my candidate, senator John McCain."

With those words, McCain campaign manager Brad Linn brought Westminster's 2000 Republican Mock Convention to a close and marked the end of nearly a year of preparation by Westminster students and staff.

Featuring a parade of states, an address by political commentator Robert Novak and a debate on the mock Republican platform, the convention climaxed Friday evening with Westminster's nomination of the Republican candidate for President of the United States.

"It's gonna be a close race," Linn said before the vote took place. "But I'm glad about that. It shows the level of competition throughout this campaign and the level of

interest by the Westminster students."

Before the delegates cast their vote, Linn and the other three campaign managers had the opportunity to "rally the masses in support of [their] candidate," as campaign manager for George W. Bush, Christopher Nave, said before he spoke to the crowd.

Linn, a sophomore, began with a speech that combined talk about taxes, gun control and merit-pay for teachers with comments regarding his love for alcoholic beverages.

"It was just for fictional purposes," Linn said. "It was a joke and an attention-getter...that was it."

James Rhoads, Mock Convention advisor, commented on Linn's use of language about alcohol.

"It is typical for candidates to sound themes they know the delegates will respond to, though these themes are usually issues," Rhoads said. "Brad Linn chose another path, which seemed to be successful."

Nave had a much stronger opinion of Linn's choice to include alcohol references.

"I truly wish beer would not have part of the convention," Nave said. Linn proceeded to incite a McCain rally chant in the middle of Nave's speech. "I wish Brad Linn would have been more professional," Nave added.

Nave finished up his speech by talking passionately about the issues of Bush's "prosperity with a purpose" campaign theme.



Photo by Meghan Duda

The convention celebrates after the deciding vote elected John McCain as the 2000 Republican Mock Convention victor.

"My speech was the same format that Bush gave when he announced he was running for President in June of 1999," Nave said. "That announcement came with a promise that he would be the next President of the United States of America."

After the speeches by Nave and Linn, Bush and McCain supporters arose from their seats - chanting, screaming, marching and rallying for their candidate.

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Photo by Brad Dell

Brad Linn, representing John McCain won the presidential nomination.

## Lloyd Weber music featured in Orr

By Kylee Ellis  
STAFF WRITER

The Celebrity Series presented The Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber on Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. in Orr Auditorium.

The twelve singers, six men and six women, and a thirty piece orchestra performed to a sold out crowd with standing room only available in the back of the auditorium. The show was divided into two acts with a fifteen minute intermission. Pieces

from musicals such as Evita, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Jesus Christ Superstar, Cats, Phantom of the Opera, and Starlight Express were performed.

Webber's newest musical, Whistle Down the Wind, which opened in Washington in December of 1996 was performed in the second act.

Webber wrote Starlight Express for his two children, and it has become the favorite of his three year old daughter.

"This was the most talented group of

singers I have ever seen", said Mary Smith, a resident of New Castle.

Celebrity Series Director Gene Dicaprio had only rave reviews of the event.

"This was an all around superior show. The young men and women are professionals, who are extremely talented and have glorious voices," he said.

Andrew Lloyd Webber has won many awards including six Tony Awards, four Drama Desk Awards, three Grammys, and five Laurence Olivier Awards.

Peanuts creator dies

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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Cultural awareness explored through 2000 Diversity Symposium programs

By Courtney Panik  
STAFF WRITER

Westminster may not be a multicultural campus, but it is trying to diversify its knowledge of different cultures through the 2000 Diversity Symposium.

The purpose of the symposium is to exchange different ideas and philosophies to create a diversity of knowledge, experience and values. It focuses on helping students to acknowledge the differences among people, cultures and the world.

"Diversity Symposium offers the campus the opportunity to explore diversity in many realms, even though we (as a campus)...aren't very diverse," Diversity Symposium Coordinator Dr. Barbara Faires said.

The events kicked off on Wednesday at 6:30 in the TUB with a showcase of study abroad students.

It will continue at 7 p.m. next Thursday in the Down Under with a panel of Westminster's international students.

Deborah Mitchell of the public relations department and Frederick Horn of the English Department will present fireside chats about

African American playwrights on at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 29 in the TUB Lounge.

"These are marvelous playwrights. Their culture is lost in the folds of history," Mitchell said. "They have a history to write. It is in the drama, literature and poetry."

The program offers the campus the opportunity to meet and listen to leaders such as Virginia Hamilton, a multicultural children's author and winner of the Newbery and Hans Christian Andersen Awards. She will speak about her life as an African writer in the Chapel on at 6:30 p.m. on March 16.

Reverend Maureen Waun and members of ALLIES will lead "More than Welcome," an interactive workshop on the gay and lesbian community at 7:00 p.m. on March 21 in Russell Dining Hall.

Junior Autumn LaQuay and her family will demonstrate Native American dance at 7:30 p.m. on March 30 in the Down Under. LaQuay is working with the Native American cluster course offered this semester.

"There is only so much you can read in books. Here, you can actually see a physical demonstration," LaQuay said.

A new campus organization, the Asian

Culture Club, is organizing a program on eastern philosophy and its effect on Western music, scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on April 6 in Beeghly Theater.

The symposium also includes Jamaican poet Opal Palmer Adisa and YSU professor Phil Brady, who will discuss multicultural poetry and storytelling. Other events are scheduled throughout the symposium.

Dr. Phyllis Kitzerow started the Diversity Symposium in 1981. Originally, it was devoted to gender related issues, but it now addresses gender, race and culture. It was held every four years until the late 1980's, when it became an annual event.

"I hope to have people start thinking about what they haven't thought about before," said Kitzerow.

The symposium planners tried to provide a variety of topics and expect a good turnout of students.

"I hope the students appreciate and attend these events," LaQuay said.

For more information and a detailed complete schedule of events, contact Faires at EXT. 7293.

## Servant of Two Masters shows talented cast

By Darcie Yopp  
STAFF WRITER

Last semester's Theatre Westminster productions should be difficult acts to follow, but so far this semester's productions appear to be up to the challenge.

*Servant of Two Masters* will be performed at 7:30 p.m. February 23-26 in Beeghly Theatre. According to the actors, this Italian comedy is sure to be another hysterical success.

*Servant of Two Masters*, written by Carlo Goldoni in 1745, is the twisted story about Truffaldino, a servant, and the comic situations that evolve as he tends to his two masters, Beatrice and Florindo. Unaware they share the same servant, Beatrice and Florindo are lovers. Florindo has also murdered Beatrice's brother.

Meanwhile, to collect money owed to her dead brother, Beatrice has disguised herself as her brother, of course leading to further complications and humorous entanglements. Many other characters add to these amusing complications.

"This is a great play," said veteran Westminster actress Kristen Kress, who plays Smeraldina, the maidservant of the daughter of the merchant that owes money to Beatrice's brother. [See the confusion!] "The comedy is zany, totally random and lighthearted - it's really true to the way love is," Kress said.

Having played a variety of roles in previous productions, Kress said that she's enjoying being the "sarcastic comedic relief" this time.

Newcomer Lisa Joyce, who plays Clarice, the merchant's daughter and Beatrice's brother's betrothed, said she is also enjoying the play and believes the audience will, too.

"I'm thrilled about being in this play, I love it," Joyce said. "It's been a really good experience, and I think it will be a great success."

Kress and Joyce also said they were pleased with the play's director, Father Robert Miller, who directed *A Man For All Seasons* last year.

"Father Bob is doing a really good job," Joyce said.

Kress was quick to praise Theatre Westminster's practice of bringing in someone outside of the department to direct once a year.

"I like the idea of having a guest director," Kress said. "Working with people not in the department is an important experience—it prepares you for the way it really is in this profession."

Besides Kress and Joyce, the cast also includes senior David Kost as Truffaldino, sophomore Janis Sylves as Beatrice, freshman Justin Kurtz as Florindo, sophomore Scott Hoffman as Pantalone (the merchant), sophomore Craig Gottschalk as Clarice's lover Silvio, freshman Richard Leigh as Silvio's father Doctor Lombardi, junior Jen Smith as the innkeeper Brighella, sophomore Bill Weniger as the Porter, and sophomore Ryan Saeler and junior Ben Tate as waiters.

*Servant of Two Masters* comes from the tradition of Italian commedia dell'arte, which was a mainstay in Italy throughout the 16th to the 18th centuries. Many standards for physical comedy and cartoon stereotype characters evolved from commedia dell'arte. Commedia dell'arte productions were improvised comedies that used stock characters, or characters that always had the same names and characteristics.

Goldoni was the first to write an actual script for these characters, capturing the improvisational tone and style in a repeatable form.

## Mardi Gras 2000 looks to attract many

By Erin Morgan  
STAFF WRITER

Mardi Gras 2000 will take place from 6 p.m. to 11:45 p.m. next Friday with many activities planned for the evening in Orr lobby and auditorium.

The kick-off takes place at Brittain Lake at 6 p.m. with a firework display.

Orr lobby will have carnival booths run by the various organizations on campus. Some of the booths include a duck pond, pie-throwing contest, a football throw and a Pokemon raffle.

"I didn't go to Mardi Gras last year, but everyone said that it was so much fun, so I will be definitely going this year," said sophomore Kiersten Kury.

The Clarks, a Pittsburgh band with special guests Major Healy and Westminster's own Gattica will perform in Orr Auditorium. The band performances are from 8 p.m. - 11:45 p.m.

"We think it will be a really good experience to open for a band as well known in this area as the Clarks," said Derrick Bash of Gattica. "We're looking forward to our material being heard, so we hope the student body

supports Mardi Gras."

A King and Queen Mardi Gras was chosen at a Student Alumni Association meeting and they will oversee the festivities. To choose the royal couple all the members of SAA

"It was really rewarding to see the kids faces when I announced the winners of the mask decorating contest. Mardi Gras is also a nice way to incorporate the community into Westminster life."

Mardi Gras originates in New Orleans through its French heritage in 1699. Meaning "Fat Tuesday," Mardi Gras always takes place 47 days before Easter Sunday. This year, Mardi Gras falls on Tuesday March 7. The official Mardi Gras colors are purple, green and gold. Purple represents justice, green represents faith and gold represents power.

The festivities on Friday will also include a magician, a balloon artist and a face painter. Free mask decorating will highlight the event.

"I had so much fun at Mardi Gras last year. I am looking forward to going again this year," said sophomore Gwendolyn Safran.

The Student Alumni Association, CPC and SGA sponsor Mardi Gras 2000. Brooke Tokar is the SAA Events Chair and she will oversee Mardi Gras. The cost of the band performance is \$10 for non-WC community and it is free with ID for WC students.

were given a cupcake. If a member found a baby (plastic doll) in his/her cupcake, he/she was crowned royalty for the night.

Jamie Vega is king and Anne Wilson is the queen this year.

Last year's Queen Lynn Zolkowski said,



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# Celebrity Series director sparks community's interest

Gene DeCaprio attempts to bring the campus and community together through shows

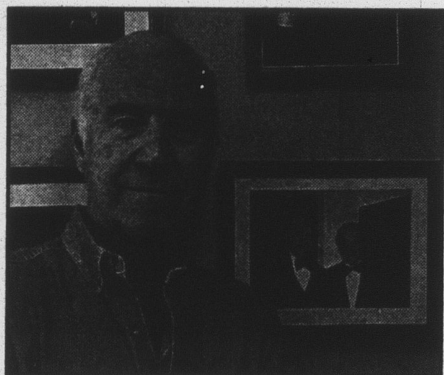


Photo by Courtney Behm

Gene DeCaprio stands beside a picture of him and Regis Philbin.

By Trish Spargal  
STAFF WRITER

Gene DeCaprio has big plans for Westminster College. Since he began his work as director of

Celebrity Series 11 years ago, DeCaprio has worked to bring big names to the campus and community.

"We've been so successful with a commitment from the college," he said. "We've reached a larger community and are a cultural center for the area."

With past participation by such stars as Bill Cosby, Regis Philbin and The Temptations, the program is something of which DeCaprio is very proud.

"We're above all colleges in our size and class for this type of programming in terms of quality and scope," he said.

In order to keep the college competitive, DeCaprio does a variety of things including talking with agencies and trusted colleagues, attending trade shows in New York and elsewhere, watching video tapes and shows and relying on the credibility and past performances of companies.

His focus for choosing events primarily is on that of the community, not the campus. With season ticket sales dominating at 1600, only approximately 130 seats are left for stu-

dents.

"It would be too difficult to accommodate the tastes of the students as well as the community," DeCaprio said. "They're two entirely different things."

Future goals for the series are bigger names, such as Jerry Seinfeld, Tim Allen, and Jay Leno... "if we can get them and afford them," he said.

DeCaprio would also like to see a smaller series held in the chapel, which would focus on classical performers such as chorale groups and brass quartets.

"We tried this once and weren't too successful, however."

He is also working with the inquiry, music and art departments to try to get more music and poetry reading events to campus.

This year's events include this past Tuesday's Music of Andrew Lloyd Weber, a big band feature on March 30 and the dinner theatre in Russel dining hall.

This summer, the series will present its annual 4th of July show, featuring the River City Brass Band. Last year, over 7000 people

gathered by Lake Britain to watch the various acts and fireworks display.

As a student at Westminster, he majored in speech and drama before moving to the University of Wisconsin for a masters in theatre.

DeCaprio always wanted to be an actor, but after 3 years on the West Coast, he realized he had too many interests to keep all his focus on acting.

He went back to school and became the assistant superintendent in the New Castle school district.

DeCaprio has also spend much of his time in the community theatre. He won various awards for his work in the Youngstown Playhouse, where he participated for about 20 years.

He said that he feels he has backed into show business through his job. He has been able to introduce the community to talent and has also got to know many of the performers.

"It's been wonderful," he said.

## Campus variety show featured an array of talent

By Laura Stanley  
STAFF WRITER

The Pennsylvania Collegiate Music Educators Association (PCMEA) held their Third Annual WC All-Campus Variety Show on February 4th.

The show, held in Orr auditorium, featured the talents of Westminster Students.

"We have many talented students here," Master of Ceremonies William "Doc" McTaggart said. "But no talented faculty," he added jokingly.

Students performed a variety of acts from modern rock to classical music; musical hits to stand up comedy; and a Native American Cultural Dance performed by junior Autumn LaQuay.

"I had a good time doing it. It's hard exposing people to different cultures," LaQuay said. "I was really happy that there has been a lot of positive feedback so far. I'm glad I could bring something new to the same old, same old. We have a lot of talented students here at Westminster. I wish the show could be bigger, but people are too afraid of what others think. However, I was pleasantly surprised by how things turned out."

The show was in part coordinated by sophomore D.J. Zaccari, vice-president of Westminster's PCMEA, junior Matt Newman, president and senior PCMEA Jennifer Gardner. According to Zaccari, Gardner organized the show last year and was a big help to him this year.

"She helped me know who to talk to, gave

me ideas and acted as a guide for me," Zaccari said.

Admission was charged at the door. According to PCMEA secretary Kerry Barker, the money was collected in an effort to fund the organization's annual state convention trip in April. This year the group will travel to Pittsburgh. The organization raised over \$400.

"I was thrilled it was a bigger success than last year," Zaccari said.

According to Zaccari, PCMEA is an organization geared towards music education, but anyone can join.

A notice circulated around campus last semester notifying students of the upcoming show. Interested parties auditioned at the start of the new semester.

## Face in the Crowd: Serving students for over 40 years

By Torie Krivak  
STAFF WRITER

One very familiar face to the Westminster community is Flo Cline, the dining hall worker.

Flo, 75, has been working here for 40 years. She says that over her years here, she has seen many changes.

She started working kitchen - cutting butter and preparing the meals. She has also changed locations. She worked in Russell Dining Hall for 20 years, but was transferred to Duff Dining Hall when it opened.

She also says that the food has changed quite a bit.

"On Fridays, we used to serve grilled cheese and tomato soup. Now there are many selections for students," Flo said.

She admits that her favorite part of her job is meeting and talking to students. When she worked in the kitchen, she did not get to meet many people, but now that she works in front swiping cards, she gets to meet many students.

"It makes me mad when people talk bad about college students because we have some really great kids here," Flo said.

Her family isn't strangers to the college either. Her husband worked as a security guard on campus for several years. In addition, her son graduated from Westminster in 1973.

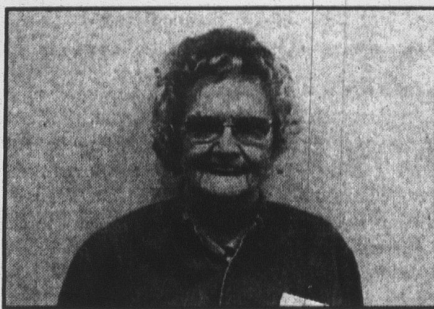


Photo by Courtney Behm

Flo Cline

## After one year as instructor of Broadcasting, Neikamp leaves so wife can take dream job

By Laura Stanley  
STAFF WRITER

After only one year at Westminster, Broadcasting instructor Raymond Neikamp will be leaving for the warm land of Austin, Texas.

Neikamp, who teaches Communication Studies, Broadcasting and Speech, is moving with his wife, Pat, to her "dreamjob" in Texas. She has accepted a job as a general sales manager for television station KNVA.

"The whole move was unexpected in our lives. When I applied to Westminster College, I had no intention of leaving the area. It's one of those unplanned things. I hated to tell Dr. Barner [chair of the Communication Studies, Theatre and Art department] that I was leaving. We have gotten along well," Neikamp said.

Neikamp, who was hired at the beginning of the academic year, will leave for Texas when the school year ends.

"I like this place too much to screw things up by leaving in the middle of the year," he said.

Neikamp has taught at various colleges. He spent 5 years at Riverfalls, a small branch of the University of Wisconsin. He went on to Penn State and Duquesne University before coming to Westminster.

Neikamp took classes in Penn State's doctorate program while teaching there. He plans to finish his dissertation within the year.

Neikamp acknowledges differences between the Broadcasting Department of Westminster and those of other schools.

"It is unusual for a liberal arts college to have a major in broadcasting. When I saw there was a Broadcasting program here, I was pleasantly surprised. I was also pleasantly surprised by how the program was used here," Neikamp said. "We did not broadcast games in Riverfalls. We did not have a remote truck. Considering this campus and the fact that enrollment is smaller, I'm astounded at what

we're able to do. I think the students get a kick out of it too," he added.

Barner has already begun the search for Neikamp's replacement. Ads were placed in three magazines: Broadcasting and Cable, Chronicle of Higher Education and Broadcast Education Association. Thirty applications have been received, and more are expected.

"I'm disappointed [about Neikamp's departure]. I think he has a nice combination of broadcasting with the experience to teach in an academic setting and the field. He will be difficult to replace," Barner said.

Broadcasting major Mike Cosgrove at first expressed surprise when he heard of Neikamp's departure.

"I'm disappointed that he's leaving because I think he's a very good professor and I enjoy learning from him," he said. "I wish he would stay, and I think Westminster College is losing a very good professor."



# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Seton Hall fire causes Pitt to install sprinkler systems in dorms

By Bill Schackner  
Post-Gazette Staff Writer

HARRISBURG — The University of Pittsburgh says it is mounting a \$15 million, five-year push to install sprinklers in every dormitory room on campus, including high-rises like the decades-old Litchfield Towers complex.

Pitt Chancellor Mark Nordenberg made the remark during a budget hearing yesterday, a day after the State System of Higher Education told a Senate panel that it did not have the \$25 million to \$50 million it would need to retrofit rooms with sprinklers in its 155 dormitories statewide.

Some legislators want public universities to install room sprinklers in light of last month's Seton Hall University fire, which killed three students and injured 62.

The concern among those legislators was apparent during state hearings on next year's college budgets.

Along with usual queries about tuition and jobs, some members of the Senate Appropriations Committee asked about fire safety systems and heard explanations of how well schools are prepared to evacuate students quickly.

State Sen. Jack Wagner, D-Beechview, a member of the committee, told State System Chancellor James McCormick that the 14

state university campuses ought to develop a plan to retrofit every dormitory room. Wagner said he believes the General Assembly would look favorably on such an initiative, in particular since the state owns the campuses.

"College students basically take into their room anything and everything they can fit, meaning a hot plate, a toaster or whatever — items that could actually initiate a fire and don't fit properly in a bedroom," he said.

"It is amazing to me that you would have a seven- or eight-story residence hall that was built within the last 20 years that is not designed to have sprinklers in every room," Wagner said. "The Seton Hall situation is one that should raise a red flag real fast in Pennsylvania."

Nearly 33,000 students live in State System dormitories, the majority of which are three stories or higher and were built during the 1960s. The buildings meet state fire codes and are equipped with smoke detectors and heat sensors that are hard-wired into central campus locations, System spokesman Kenn Marshall said.

But those buildings are not covered by a new state fire code, which requires residences three stories and taller to be equipped with sprinklers, Marshall said.

Retrofitting them could cost \$25 million to \$50 million because older buildings can be especially expensive to make improvements

to, Marshall said. And the State System does not have a ready supply of money for the work, because dormitories, like other nonacademic buildings on campus, do not receive state aid.

"Under the current situation they would have to be paid for out of student fees because all of our buildings are self-supporting," Marshall said.

"State System officials would be interested in any plan to retrofit the residence halls if the state could provide assistance," Marshall said. "We want our students to be safe. Obviously, we don't have that \$25 million right now."

At Indiana University of Pennsylvania, largest of the State System schools, the cost alone could easily reach \$2 million, said spokeswoman Michelle Fryling. Residence halls there are equipped with heat sensors and smoke detectors.

"We do not have sprinklers anywhere in our residence halls, including in common areas," she said.

During yesterday's hearing, Pitt Chancellor Mark Nordenberg said his school planned the project even before the Seton Hall fire. The initiative began in May, and all 5,700 residence-hall students should have sprinklers in their rooms within five years.

It's a big undertaking. Newer buildings such as Sutherland Hall and Bouquet

Gardens already have them, but the three-tower Litchfield complex that rises as high as 22 stories has yet to be retrofitted, spokesman Ken Service said.

It is the largest residence on campus and houses 1,860 students.

Service said some older buildings have sprinklers in common areas.

"There really is only so much of that work you can do during the course of summer when dormitories are not occupied," Nordenberg said.

"Even though all of our residence halls are up to code, we wanted to make them as safe as we possibly can."

At Penn State University, some older wood frame residence halls have sprinklers in the attics, but the majority of the 12,000 residence hall students on its main campus are not covered by sprinklers, spokeswoman Christy Rambeau said. The same is true of most halls on its branch campuses, she said.

She said the buildings meet fire codes and are equipped with smoke and heat detectors.

Also at yesterday's budget hearing, Nordenberg reiterated that Pitt students next year could face a 4 percent tuition hike.

### Steelers lawsuit pending over accusations of gender discrimination

By Tom Barnes  
Post-Gazette Staff Writer

A contractor says it removed a woman-owned company it brought into the Steelers stadium project because the firm wasn't qualified — not because of any scheme to subvert city-county goals for black and female participation in construction jobs.

Kathleen Kerr, president of Industrial Fabricating Systems of Moon, is suing stadium contractor Hirschfeld Steel Co., of Tyler, Texas, as well as Wilhelm and Kruse of Rankin, contractor on the new Pirates stadium, and the city-county Sports and Exhibition Authority. Kerr claims her company lost work on the stadium projects because she wouldn't

take part in a financial "pass-through" scheme aimed at circumventing minority and female participation goals.

Hirschfeld, in legal papers filed Friday and obtained by the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette yesterday, said it "never requested IFS to participate in any improper or illegal 'pass-through' scheme."

Kerr's suit said Hirschfeld sent her a letter in July saying her firm was in line for \$3.2 million in steel fabricating work on the Steelers stadium, but that Hirschfeld later changed its mind and removed her firm from the job.

In two letters dated Sept. 22 and included in the court filing, Hirschfeld project manager D. Rick Gibbons said IFS was "not capable of

performing the scope of work that was proposed at bid time. We have inspected their facilities and found that they do not currently have capacity required to deliver structural steel per the project schedule."

That letter was sent to Huber Hunt & Nichols/Mascaro, the joint venture overseeing construction of the Steelers stadium.

Gibbons also wrote to Kerr, saying, "We have determined that Hirschfeld Steel Company is not able to enter into a subcontract with your company for structural fabrication" on the football stadium.

Gibbons said Kerr didn't "currently possess the facility or equipment that is required to fabricate the type of structural steel" needed for the stadium.

"You do not have the manpower in place that would be necessary to produce the volume of work required to meet the very aggressive schedule the project requires," he wrote.

Gibbons also said Kerr hadn't shown any evidence of a quality control program and hadn't been able to produce "any firm pricing for the trusses, ramps and stair/elevator area steel."

All parties to the case are precluded from making public statements. Allegheny County Common Pleas Judge Paul F. Luty Jr. issued a gag order Friday. A hearing is set for tomorrow on a motion from the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette to lift the gag.

### The Region in Brief

#### By The Tribune-Review Ice Jam has river watchers on alert

River watchers along the Allegheny River in Armstrong and Clarion counties were on alert Tuesday night after an ice jam formed near the mouth of the Clarion River. Although the rivers were well below flood stage, the ice jam was causing rapid fluctuations in water levels near Parker, Armstrong County and upstream at Foxburg, Clarion County. The water level at Parker (ed) where flood stage is 20 feet (ed) rose 3 feet in just three hours,

the National Weather Service said. At 9 p.m., water level at Parker stood at 10 feet, said Ray Visneski of the National Weather Service.

#### Inmate holds teacher hostage

A Beaver County Jail inmate held an instructor hostage with a sharpened piece of steel or about 40 minutes Tuesday night before releasing him unharmed in exchange for cigarettes, jail officials said. Che Turner, 23, of Aliquippa, who recently pleaded guilty to third-degree homicide charges, took the instructor hostage at 8:20 p.m. He and other inmates were taking GED classes in a base-

ment classroom in the jail near the courthouse in Beaver, Warden Bill Schouppé said. Schouppé said he doesn't know how Turner got the steel, which was sharpened on one end and taped for a handle on the other. Guards, sheriff's deputies and others negotiated with Turner before George David, the jail's chief of security, convinced him to surrender at 9 p.m., Schouppé said.

#### Police checking phony cop report

Police in Washington County are trying to determine if the report of a phony cop stop-

ping a woman in Cecil Township is related to other recent similar incidents, WPXI reported Tuesday night. A woman reported she was stopped late Friday along a township road near the Southpointe exit of Interstate 79 near Canonsburg. A white man driving a dark blue sedan with a blue and yellow rotating light told her he was looking for a car that matched the description of her vehicle, the woman told police. He didn't ask for any identification and drove away after looking at her car, she said. There have been at least

four other similar incidents along Interstate 79 between the Ca



## NATIONAL

# Columbine High School faces tragedy

## Another teenage shooting leaves Littleton, CO asking why

LITTLETON, Colo. (AP) - Once again, students at Columbine High School are in mourning, trying to make sense of another tragic shooting.

Two Columbine sophomores, high school sweethearts, were found shot to death in a fast-food restaurant Monday, just two blocks away from the school.

The killings shocked residents of Littleton, still reeling from the massacre that killed 15 at Columbine last year. About 100 students were so shaken they left school for the day, and the school's 25 counselors were kept busy comforting those who remained.

"It was too much for me to handle," said 18-year-old senior Nathan Vanderau, who knew victims in both sets of killings. "I'm still in counseling for the shooting last year. It's just one more thing for me to worry about."

The bodies of Nicholas Kunselman, 15, and Stephanie Hart, 16, were found Monday at the Subway sandwich shop where Kunselman worked. Investigators did not disclose a motive but ruled out murder-suicide.

The shooting was the latest in a string of tragedies that have hit the Denver suburb

since teen-age gunmen Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold killed 12 students and a teacher at Columbine on April 20, and then committed suicide.

Among the other incidents that have added to the unease in the community:

In October, the mother of a student partially paralyzed in the massacre shot herself to death.

On Feb. 1, the body of an 11-year-old boy was found in a trash bin within blocks of the school. No arrests have been made.

Last week, a Florida man pleaded guilty in Denver to sending a Columbine student an Internet message threatening to finish the massacre. The threat prompted officials to close the school for the Christmas holidays two days early. He faces up to five years in prison.

Jefferson County sheriff's spokesman Steve Davis said the cause of death in Monday's shootings had not been determined, adding he did not know whether a weapon had been found.

Investigators were reviewing a surveillance videotape from the restaurant, but, without elaborating, Davis said it was unlikely to

provide clues. He also said there was no reason to believe the deaths were linked to the Columbine massacre.

"I hope it was just a robbery," said one of Kunselman's co-workers, J.J. Hodack, 22. "I've had more than enough of this. This stuff needs to stop."

Friends said Hart enjoyed sports but was quiet and didn't go out much except to stop by the sub shop to see Kunselman.

Kunselman had worked at the shop for only a month but had won the manager's confidence and often was assigned to close the restaurant at 10 p.m., Hodack said.

"Obviously, our boss trusted him. He's a good worker," he said.

Another Subway employee driving past the store noticed a light inside the store about 1 a.m. Since the business was supposed to be closed, the woman stopped, went inside and discovered the bodies.

Columbine students and relatives of the victims gathered in the parking lot, placing bouquets just outside police lines. They also wrote chalk memorial messages.

## News Briefs—

### Teeps held in blaze killing firefighters

HOUSTON - Four teen-agers have been arrested for allegedly starting a blaze that killed two firefighters at a McDonald's, fire officials said Tuesday. Prosecutors have not yet filed charges. Assistant Chief Rick Flanagan said the suspects burglarized the restaurant early Monday, then started the fire with a blowtorch to cover their tracks. Police said all four confessed to the crime. The suspects are identified as Pedro Israel Loreda, 19; Juan Manuel Torres, 17; and Allen Gerome Davis, 17. A 15-year-old boy who worked at the restaurant also was arrested. The blaze killed firefighters Lewis Mayo, 44, and Kimberly Smith, 30, who were trapped beneath a collapsed roof.

### Sheppard son trying to clear father's name

CLEVELAND - Defense attorney F. Lee Bailey testified Tuesday that the late Dr. Sam Sheppard told him privately he thought he had confronted two people in his house the night his wife was killed. Sheppard, who was convicted of murdering his wife in one trial but cleared in a second after Bailey took his case, always publicly insisted a bushy-haired intruder beat his wife to death in July 1954. Bailey testified for a second day in the trial of a lawsuit by Sheppard's son, Sam Reese Sheppard, who maintains his father was wrongfully imprisoned for Marilyn Sheppard's death.

### Manhunt continues in Neb.

PAXTON, Neb. - About 100 officers are combing western Nebraska on Tuesday for a man wanted in connection with the wounding of two police officers and the death of a farmer. Charles Lannis Moses Jr., 31, of Nocona, Texas, is wanted on charges of attempted first-degree murder, using a firearm to commit a felony and resisting arrest. Texas authorities want him on charges of violating probation and possessing explosives. The farmer was killed Monday. The two officers were shot Saturday night after a sheriff's deputy tried to arrest Moses on the Texas warrants. Moses pulled a handgun, which the deputy wrestled away, then fled. He stopped and exchanged shots with about two dozen officers, shooting one in the stomach and another in the hand. He was able to escape into the night because his pickup had no tail-lights.

### Ex-hostage seeks redress from Iran

WASHINGTON - Pressing a \$100 million lawsuit against Iran, former hostage Terry Anderson told a federal court Tuesday that the Tehran government clearly was involved in his kidnapping and nearly seven years of captivity in Lebanon. U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson ruled Iran was "in default" for failing to appear, even though it had been notified of the lawsuit. Anderson, the former chief Middle East correspondent for The Associated Press, was the longest-held American hostage. He is the most recent plaintiff to seek damages permitting American victims of terrorism to make claims against frozen assets of countries that sponsor terrorism.



AP File Photo  
Terry Anderson

## Tornados rip through Georgia, leaving 22 dead

CAMILLA, Ga. (AP) - When the tornado that had leveled his house finally moved away, Harris Malcom crawled out from under a mattress and looked up into blinding rain and lightning.

His living-room rafters were crushed like toothpicks. But poking out from a 3-foot-thick pine tree that caved in his roof were two branches, forming a makeshift cross.

"You find out what kind of faith you've got when something like this happens," Malcom, pastor of First Baptist Church in Camilla, said Monday.

Although Malcom's home was destroyed, he emerged from the tornadoes that hit southwestern Georgia early Monday relatively unscathed. However, at least 22 people died and more than 100 were injured in the storms, the state's deadliest twisters since 1936. The oldest victim was 85 years old, the youngest 8 months. Many likely were killed as they slept, police said.

The tornadoes smashed mobile homes, flipped automobiles and demolished trees into splinters. Mitchell County, about 30 miles north of the Georgia-Florida line, was hardest hit, with 14 dead, when two separate twisters cut a 1.5-mile-wide, 10-mile-long path through the county.

"It was just total destruction," said Kenneth Hill of Camilla, who spent Monday night at a shelter after a tree crashed through his roof. "Mobile homes on top of mobile homes - houses blown away, just frames."

Families of the injured and missing scrambled to see if loved ones were among the dozens sent to hospitals from Albany to Tallahassee, Fla.

In Camilla, shelters were set up at churches and schools. An American Red Cross shelter offered cots, food, nursing and counseling for storm victims.

"People will probably get tired and hungry as the night goes on," Red Cross

spokesman Bill Maddox said. "We're going to be here a while."

Mitchell County Hospital, a 33-bed facility more accustomed to infant ear infections or an occasional heart attack, resembled a battleground field hospital.

More than 120 people swamped the hospital in the early morning. Mothers begged nurses to find their children. Hospital administrators in T-shirts and blue jeans tended to massive head wounds. Patients covered the halls, slumped on lobby chairs and packed into the chapel.

The hospital even lost its water connection and, for several terrifying minutes before a generator kicked in, all electricity.

"It was absolutely the worst thing I've ever seen," said Cara Tyson, the hospital's assistant director of nursing, who fought blinding rain and flying tree limbs to get to work. "It was a disaster - people were crying, children were hurt."

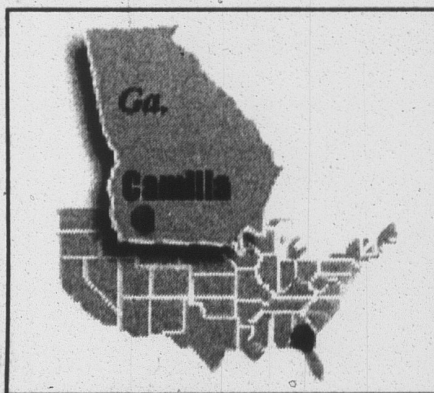
High wind and hail also caused scattered damage in much of Alabama, including widespread damage in Cullman, and knocked out power to an estimated 22,000 customers.

The roof was blown off Charlie Jones' house in Ada, Ala. "I will not rebuild," Jones said. "This is the third time my house has been blown away. I'm done at this corner."

One or more tornadoes also destroyed at least four houses in the Florida Panhandle community of Sand Hills and damaged more than 40 others, officials said. In addition, lightning damaged three neighboring houses in Fort Walton Beach.

Two tornadoes destroyed at least a dozen structures in Arkansas and injured two people. Trees and power lines were down in parts of Mississippi and Tennessee.

Back at First Baptist Church in Camilla, church members had been planning a Valentine's Day party for children on Monday. Instead, they plan to feed rescue



crews sugar-coated candy hearts and chocolates today before they begin a second day of cleaning up.

"The whole community is helping, doing whatever they can," said Vicki Davis, who ran the First Baptist shelter.

Mitchell County is a rural area with about 20,000 residents, many who work in chicken processing plants, textile factories and at Autry State Prison, which is 5 miles south of Camilla. The county's farms grow mostly peanuts, cotton or pecans.

Gov. Roy Barnes, who declared Colquitt, Grady, Mitchell and Tift counties to be in a state of emergency earlier Monday, flew over the area in the afternoon.

At the site of Mitchell County's worst damage, Malcom - whose family was unhurt - watched friends and members of his church carry anything they could salvage from his house to the church for storage.

Leaning against a truck and watching pieces of his life - a banged-up refrigerator, a chair covered in shards of glass, a grandfather clock - go by, he concluded he was lucky.

"I'll probably have myself a good cry," Malcom said. "But I understand one man found his three children dead. We're lucky we've got our lives."



## INTERNATIONAL

## Bank of New York executive pleads guilty to money laundering

NEW YORK (AP) - A former Bank of New York executive and her husband pleaded guilty today to money laundering charges, admitting they accepted \$1.8 million to arrange an elaborate scheme purportedly linked to the Russian mob.

The former executive, Lucy Edwards, and her husband, Peter Berlin, entered their pleas in U.S. District Court in Manhattan a day after arriving from London to surrender to the FBI.

The couple admitted allowing Russian bankers to set up unlicensed banking operations in Queens and Jersey City, N.J., so the Russians could launder large amounts of money and evade taxes in Russia and the United States.

The pleas were the first major admissions in the international scandal that created headlines around the world with details of a scam involving as much as \$10 billion.

Edwards said in Manhattan federal court today that she was approached by Russian bankers in late 1995, and they then agreed that her husband would open an account at the Bank of New York to obtain software that would enable them to bank illegally.

In exchange, Edwards and her husband

were paid a percentage of the money being transferred through accounts, she admitted. She said she knew certain licenses were required.

"I closed my eyes to that fact," Edwards said. She said she "suspected the accounts were being used by many people for illicit purposes."

"We were paid substantial commissions for doing very little work," she added. During one conversation, Edwards said, the Russian bankers told her "their customers with machine guns were waiting for them."

An alleged accomplice, Aleskey Volkov, remains a fugitive.

If convicted, Edwards would face a maximum of five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine. Berlin and Volkov face additional charges of conducting an illegal money-transferring business and engaging in an illegal banking operation, crimes carrying up to 15 years in prison and a \$175,000 fine.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Gary Stein said that the money flowing through the illegal banking setup included a June 1998 payment of \$300,000 to secure the release of a kidnapping victim in Russia.

Edwards and Berlin pleaded guilty to conspiracy relating to the money laundering allegations and also admitted they failed to pay U.S. taxes. Edwards also said she helped prepare documents for Russians who wanted to enter the United States illegally.

She said she prepared documents stating that "applicants planned to come for legitimate business purposes when I knew they wanted to come for other reasons."

The couple also admitted paying \$500 monthly to a Bank of New York employee in New York City to make sure the accounts continued operating smoothly after they moved to London from New York in 1996.

Besides their individual admissions, Berlin also entered guilty pleas on behalf of three corporate entities he used to help the Russians launder money.

Edwards, 41, and Berlin, 45, were portrayed as key players in the effort by Russian mobsters to use accounts at the Bank of New York to conceal their ill-gotten gains, much of which was believed to have come from Russian importers trying to avoid paying taxes.

Authorities have said that Edwards, as head of the bank's Eastern European operations in London, had access to accounts and could move the Russian money through a series of accounts until it appeared to be legitimate profits from legal businesses.

Edwards was dismissed from her job last August after her name surfaced as a target of a worldwide investigation. The attention turned to her husband after it was suspected that most of the money was moved through a company he controlled, Benex Worldwide Ltd., and other accounts in his name.

Prosecutors allege Edwards and Berlin had conspired since 1996 to illegally transmit funds and receive deposits without obtaining authorization from any federal or state banking agency.

The charges came just a few months after Edwards made a presentation on the latest money laundering techniques at a conference for financial executives in Riga, Latvia.

Officials with the Bank of New York had declined to comment Tuesday on the impending pleas. It has acknowledged that it needs to improve its money-handling procedures.

## The World In Brief

## Court: Release Pinochet medical report

LONDON - The High Court on Tuesday ordered the release of a medical report that found former Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet, 84, mentally unfit to stand trial on civil rights abuses. Britain's top law enforcement official, Home Secretary Jack Straw, erred in blocking the report, the court said. The ruling is a victory for Spain, Belgium, France and Switzerland, which all favor Pinochet's extradition to Spain for the planned trial. The countries are seeking action on behalf of citizens who say relatives were jailed or killed because of Pinochet.



Augusto Pinochet

## Man explodes bomb in Tiananmen Square

BEIJING - A man described as a mental patient committed suicide Tuesday in Tiananmen Square, setting off explosives that killed himself and slightly injured a South Korean tourist. The explosion occurred around 4 p.m. when the square - the symbolic center of China's political life - is normally crowded with tourists. Immediately afterward, police cleared and closed the square. In a statement distributed to foreign reporters, police say Li Xiangshan of the central province of Hubei set off the explosion to kill himself. Li was known to the police, having come to Beijing four times previously to appeal to Chinese leaders, a police official says.

## EU starts membership enlargement talks

BRUSSELS, Belgium - The European Union opened talks Tuesday with six nations seeking membership, beginning an expansion drive that could lead to a doubling of the 15-nation club in the next decade. Romania, Bulgaria, Slovakia, Latvia, Lithuania and Malta form the second wave of mostly eastern European nations to start negotiations with the EU on adhering to standards for joining the union. Ministers from the new candidate nations proclaimed the talks as a historic turning point that would bring the end of Europe's Cold War divisions. Another group of potential initiates - Poland, Hungary, Slovenia, the Czech Republic, Cyprus and Estonia - hope to be allowed into the union within the next two or three years.

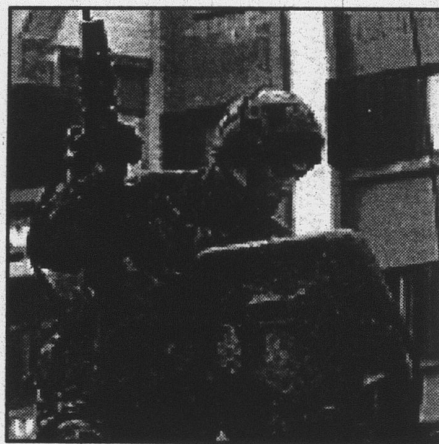
## Thirteen men charged with hijacking

LONDON - Thirteen men appeared in court Monday, charged with hijacking an Afghan airliner. The men, ranging in age from 18 to 36, are charged with seizing an aircraft and its passengers Feb. 6 contrary to the Aviation Security Act of 1982. The men, who used interpreters, spoke only to confirm their names. None asked for bail. The next hearing was scheduled for March 13. The 13 men charged were among 22 who were arrested after the hijacking. Three had been freed by Sunday without charges after questioning and six more were freed on Monday. Another man was arrested Monday and was questioned, but had not been charged. Earlier in the day, 73 of the hijacked passengers returned to Kandahar, Afghanistan.

## NATO warns ethnic Albanians after attack

KOSOVSKA MITROVICA, Yugoslavia - Attacks by ethnic Albanians on the peacekeepers sent to Kosovo to protect them could

undermine support for the peacekeeping mission, NATO's chief said Monday. NATO Secretary-General Lord George Robertson condemned Sunday's attack by Albanian snipers that wounded two French soldiers and said the alliance would not tolerate further violence against its troops. "I would remind all parties in Kosovo that it was NATO that put an end to organized ethnic cleansing and has worked to restore peace and stability for all ethnic groups in the province," Robertson said in Brussels, Belgium.



NATO troops were influential in Kosovo peacekeeping.

## Grozny is closed off to returning residents

NAZRAN, Russia - Russia's military has closed off Chechnya's capital to returning civilians, saying Monday that mined buildings made living there too dangerous and that rebels may try to come back to the city in disguise. Col. Gen. Viktor Kazantsev, a top Russian commander, did not say how long the ban on residents returning to Grozny would be in effect. The ITAR-Tass news agency quoted commander Nikolai Zaitsev as saying

it would last until March 1. "As long as the city isn't cleared of all mines and shells, and there is a threat of buildings collapsing, civilians are being banned from entering," Kazantsev said on Russia's NTV television. About 3,000 rebels abandoned Grozny earlier this month and the Russians claim to control the city.

## Hundreds of Cubans line up for U.S. visas

HAVANA - Hundreds of Cubans lined up outside the U.S. mission in Havana on Monday to apply for visas under a new system that promises to eliminate months of waiting for some Cubans. The new system took effect Monday. About 700 Cubans - most of whom meet visa requirements because they want to visit relatives or take part in cultural or academic events - appeared at the U.S. Interests Section to drop off their passports and pick up application forms. The system was supposed to take effect last month, but was postponed after U.S. officials said Cuba had backed away from an earlier agreement to allow the more efficient process.

## China arrests archbishop, group says

BEDING - Police have taken into custody an 80-year-old archbishop of China's underground Roman Catholic Church, a monitoring group said Monday. About 150 police arrested Archbishop John Yang Shudao on Feb. 10 in southeastern China, according to the U.S.-based Cardinal Kung Foundation. Yang had previously spent nearly 30 years in prison for defying an order to denounce the pope as the supreme authority of the Roman Catholic Church. China's officially atheist communist government insists that citizens have freedom of religion, but it requires Christians of all denominations to worship in state-registered churches.



# SPORTS

## Last GLIAC spring sports seasons to begin over spring break

By Wendy Hamilton  
STAFF WRITER

It's starting to look like spring. "What?" you say. "It's freezing outside." Well, if you would walk around the field house during the week you would see what I mean.

Spring sports are gearing up for their last season in the GLIAC conference. Baseball, softball, men's tennis, golf and men's track have already begun practicing. Their official season begins within the next month.

The baseball team is preparing to improve on their record of 4-33 from last season.

"With the addition of assistant coach John Klein, we are having great practices and are looking better than last year," Co-head Coach Sean Kelly said.

With ten returning letter winners the team is very optimistic about their season. Kelly is positive about the upcoming season.

"We have a very young team, and they are

showing enthusiasm and excitement about the season", Kelly said.

The team will travel to Virginia during spring break to start the season, with their first home game on March 15th against Grove City.

The women's softball team finished their season last year with a record of 20-24. With 11 returning letter winners, Head Coach Jan Reddinger has a positive outlook on the upcoming season.

"We did decently last year placing 6th in a conference of 12. This year our goal is to place in the top four," Reddinger said.

The team will travel to Florida for a training trip during spring break. Their first home game is March 16th against Point Park College.

With the change in the head coach position, Scott Renninger hopes to have a successful season this year with the Men's Tennis team.

"This is going to be a challenging year for us based on the competition," Renninger said.

With nine returning letter winners, the team aims to improve on their 4-11 record.

"I just want the boys to be competitive and to work as hard as they can", Renninger said.

The team has already started practicing indoors, and is planning to travel to Hilton Head, SC during spring break. Their first home match is March 10th against Hillsdale.

The men's track team looks strong this year with 11 returning letter winners. Because the men do not have the depth to compete as a team, they choose to compete individually. Head Coach Larry Ondako believes that this choice has proven to be very successful.

"Because we don't have the numbers to compete as a team our individual runners realize that winning is up to them. They don't have the luxury of depending on their teammates. Our runners will do well this year, as

they always do," Ondako said.

The team has already had indoor meets, and their first outdoor meet is on March 25th at Clarion University.

The Golf Team, led by Head Coach Joe Fusco, ended their season last year with a record of 25-43.

"Based on the fall season, we certainly hope to build on the success of our last couple of matches," Fusco said.

With the return of three letter winners and the addition of two freshmen, this year's outlook appears to be a positive one.

"I am very pleased with the players, especially our two freshman who have shown great skill already", Fusco said.

The team is planning a training trip to Orlando, FL during spring break, and is holding their Titan Invitational on March 20th and 27th at the New Castle Country Club.

## ESPY awards honor standout athletes for the decade and 1999

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

The ESPY awards were on last Monday, an event that is considered the Oscars of athletics. Here is a complete list of 2000 ESPY winners:

Arthur Ashe Award for Courage (1999): Dave Sanders, Columbine High School coach and teacher

### Decade Awards:

Play of Decade: Michael Jordan - His reverse hands layup against the Lakers (1991)

Hockey: Mario Lemieux - Four scoring titles

Pro Football: Jerry Rice - 100 or more receptions four times

Pro Basketball: Michael Jordan - Led the Bulls to six NBA championships

Baseball: Mark McGwire - 405 home runs in the decade

Tennis: Pete Sampras - Won four U.S. Opens, six Wimbledons and two Australian Opens

Boxing: Evander Holyfield - 12-3 in '90s, but won heavyweight title three different times

Golf: Tiger Woods - Won over \$6.6 million in 1999, won 72-hole record for Masters with his 1997 win.

Auto Racing: Dale Earnhardt - Four Winston Cup championships

American Male Olympian: Michael Johnson - First man to win the 200 and 400 meters in the same Olympics

American Female Olympian: Bonnie Blair - Four speed skating gold medals ('92, '94)

Pro Team: Chicago Bulls - Six NBA championships

College Team - TIE: Tennessee Lady Vols - Four national championships, including three straight (1996-98) and Florida State football - Most wins in a decade, 1993 national champion

Coach/Manager: Phil Jackson - Led Bulls to six NBA championships

Female Athlete: Steffi Graf - Won 14 Grand Slam titles, including Wimbledon five times

Male Athlete: Michael Jordan - Four-time NBA MVP

### Awards for 1999:

Auto Racing: Dale Jarrett - Won NASCAR Winston Cup points championship

Baseball: Pedro Martinez - AL Cy Young winner, 23-4, 2.07 ERA, 313K

Men's College Basketball: Elton Brand - Wooden and Naismith award winner

Women's College Basketball: Chamique Holdsclaw - Averaged 21.3 points per game

Soccer: Mia Hamm - All-time leading international goal-scorer

Men's Tennis: Andre Agassi - Won U.S. and French Open championships

Women's Tennis: Lindsay Davenport - Won Wimbledon and Chase Championships

Men's Pro Basketball: Tim Duncan - Finished in top six in points per game and rebounds

Women's Pro Basketball: Cynthia Cooper - Led WNBA in scoring at 22.1 points per game

Boxing: Roy Jones Jr. - Won unified world light heavyweight title

Men's Golf: Tiger Woods - Won eight tournaments, set record for money earned (\$6.6M)

Women's Golf: Juli Inkster - Won two majors (U.S. Open and McDonald's LPGA Championship)

Bowling: Parker Bohn III - Won over \$300,000 in prize money

College Football: Michael Vick - Led Virginia Tech to Sugar Bowl

Team of the Year: U.S. Women's World Cup team - Beat China 1-0 to win championship

Pro Football: Kurt Warner - Led NFL in passing yards, accuracy, touchdowns

Hockey: Dominik Hasek - Won Vezina Trophy, posted a 1.87 GAA

Jockey: Chris Antley - Rode Charismatic to wins at Kentucky Derby and Preakness

Coach/Manager: Joe Torre - Led Yankees to their second straight World Series title

Female Athlete: Mia Hamm

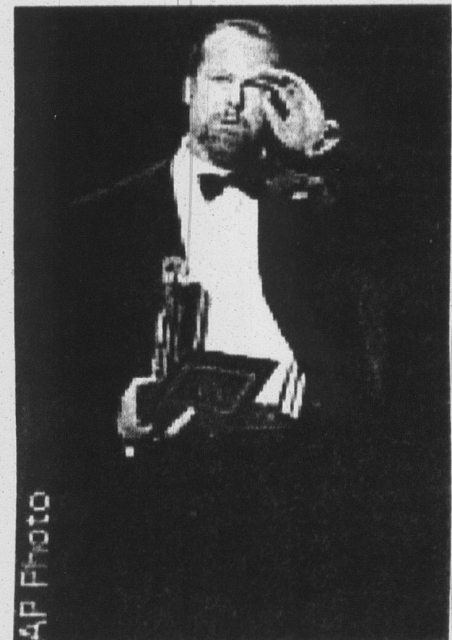
Male Athlete: Tiger Woods

Men's Track and Field: Michael Johnson - Broke 400-meter world record

Women's Track and Field: Marion Jones - Won 100 meters at World Championship

Memorable Performance: Justin Leonard - Putt on 17th hole wins Ryder Cup

Breakthrough Athlete: Kurt Warner



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Mark Maguire

Comeback Athlete: Lance Armstrong - Won Tour de France

Alternative athlete: Tony Hawk - Performed 900-degree turn at ESPN's X Games

Play of Year: Payne Stewart - His putt on 18 wins the U.S. Open



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# MOCK CONVENTION



## Involvement offers fun and learning

By Brad Dell  
MANAGING EDITOR

Regardless of the results, one thing is for certain. The 2000 Republican Mock Convention brought a large percentage of the campus together for two days of learning and fun.

With over 500 student delegates and nearly 20 students on the executive committee, more than one-third of the student body participated in the convention.

President of the College R. Thomas Williamson said that he was amazed with the Mock Convention.

"None of these students have done this before. It occurs every four years, and every four years there are new students," he said. "The executive committee has done a fantastic job. The student involvement was heartening and remarkable."

Mock Convention advisor James Rhoads expressed similar sentiments regarding the success of the student involvement in the convention.

"The students learned a lot about the way American politics works and sometimes doesn't work," he said.

Besides the nomination of the Republican candidate for President, the most student-involved activity was the debate on the mock Republican platform. Thursday night and Friday afternoon delegates and state chairs voiced their opinions, ratified, amended and finally voted on many issues, including such hot topics as English as the official national language, gays in the military and nuclear proliferation.

"The debate on the platform was thoughtful, well-informed and just passionate enough," Williamson added.

However, some students had some very serious concerns about the platform debates.

"The platform is very close-minded," senior Utah delegate Summer Silvius said. "It's hard to tell whether people are trying to be Republicans or if they really believe what they say. We need more open-mindedness."

Jen Gardner agreed with Silvius, calling for a change in the concept of the Convention.

"I think we should vote for the campaign manager, not the candidate," she said, "because more than half of this campus is not Republican, so we do not agree with the platform."

Brad Linn, campaign manager for John McCain, put his candidate's win on the back burner to focus on the enthusiasm of the students toward the Convention.

"Chris Nave, myself and the others felt that the bigger victory was that the campus was excited about the candidates, the issues and the Mock Convention as a whole," Linn said.

## Movie star Clint Eastwood nominated as VP

By Brad Dell  
MANAGING EDITOR

The Mock Convention did not end with the nomination of John McCain. Still remaining was the nomination of his vice-presidential running mate.

Executive chairperson Julie Waszcak began by opening the floor to nominations, allowing state chairs to nominate whoever they please for vice-president. However, the list was limited to 8 people.

Westminster proposed the nominations of Elizabeth Dole, Tom Ridge, Jodie Foster, Clint Eastwood, Dolly Parton, President of



Photo by Brad Dell  
Williamson looks on as he is proposed as a vice-presidential candidate.

Westminster R. Thomas Williamson Trent Lott and Ricky Martin. However, Martin was disqualified because he did not meet the 35 year age requirement. Foster and Parton were also disqualified because they did not fit into the code of practicality, set in the guidelines of the Mock Convention.

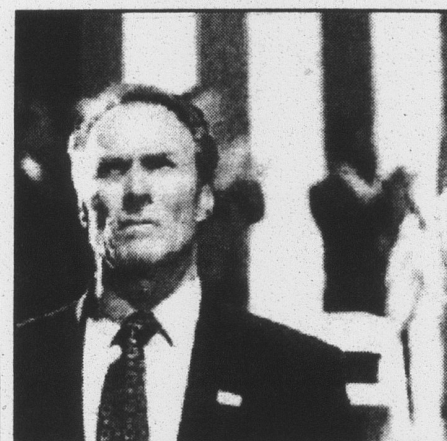
So, the race for Vice-president was between Dole, Ridge, Lott, Williamson and Clint Eastwood. The executive committee allowed Eastwood to remain in the race because he was formerly a mayor.

The ensuing vote took place similarly to the one for President. However, the vice-presidential candidate only needed to receive a majority vote, not 2/3 majority.

State chairs reported to the executive committee for whom their delegates were voting. The count remained close the entire time between Dole and Eastwood, with Dole maintaining a small lead. However, a surge of support at the very end for Eastwood gave him the win. The gymnasium erupted into celebration when Eastwood was nominated.

"It was very clear that the students were looking for heroes," Mock Convention advisor James Rhoads said. "They elected one real hero in John McCain and one fake hero in Clint Eastwood."

Brad Linn, campaign manager for John



AP File Photo  
Clint Eastwood

McCain had a similar reaction to the vice-president nominated to run with his candidate.

"Clint Eastwood is a real hero to a lot of people," Linn said, "but I'm not sure if politics is his bag."

"People will look back at our books 20 years from now and see Eastwood as the vice-president that we nominated," Christopher Nave, campaign manager for George W. Bush said. "They will recognize his name and probably wonder why."

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However, that same intensity of support did not exist for sophomore Mindy Falk and junior Meghan Duda, campaign managers for Gary Bauer and Steve Forbes respectively. Both women attempted to rally support for their candidates, despite the fact that both men dropped out of the national race prior to the convention.

Mission Impossible - a phrase that defined the campaigns of Duda and Falk - played in the background as Faulk walked to the podium to give her speech. Straying from Bauer's staunchly conservative viewpoint, she pleaded for support with liberal rhetoric such as, "It doesn't matter what your age, race, sex or religion is. We are people and we are all equal."

Duda's biggest applause came when she announced that she intended to keep her speech short. Duda described Steve Forbes as "someone standing behind Westminster students." However, in the final vote, only three of the near 600 participating students were willing to stand behind a candidate who had dropped out of the race.

As in the national race, Westminster's campaign was a fight between the two front-running candidates - John McCain and George W. Bush.

After all four campaign managers had spoken, two other write-in candidates were proposed for the ballot. Professor of Physical Education Scott Renninger suggested the nomination of Elvis Presley. Since Elvis had

already "left the building" in the most ultimate sense, Reddinger's proposal was denied. However the Elvis for President campaign advertisement did provide a musical interlude for the evening's festivities.

Convention executive board member John Hauser was also proposed as a nominee, but since he is younger than the 35 year age requirement, he was not approved.

Finally, the delegates had the opportunity to make their decisions and cast their votes.

Despite the post-speech explosion of support for George W. Bush and the articulately fought campaign by Nave, Linn's McCain nearly pulled off a victory in the first round of votes. With large support in key states like California, Maryland, New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Texas, McCain received 313 of the 332 votes needed for the 2/3 majority.

"When the going gets tough, the tough gets going," says one popular cliché. However, this was not the case for savvy political guru Christopher Nave when he saw the huge deficit that his candidate faced after the first vote.

According to Texas state chair Justin Kurtz, Nave told he and other state chairs to vote McCain if there were any delegates swaying in that direction.

Nave admitted that he did make this recommendation to chairs of some of the major states. But did he throw the convention? Nave claims this accusation to be totally untrue.

"After the first vote, I realized that I was

going to lose. I did not go around attempting to whip up added support for my candidate, but I did not throw the campaign either," Nave said. "I was being a realist at that point and knew that it was inevitable that John McCain would get the nomination."

Nave took it as the chance for the convention to be done early.

"I had the consideration of the crowd in mind. I was compassionate and conservative, but I never deserted my candidate," he said. "I graciously thanked everyone who continued their support of me during the second vote."

Rhoads said he was disappointed that students would do something just to get the event over with.

"The point of the convention is to deal with the process, and that includes negotiation between ballots and engagement in backroom politics," Rhoads said. "However, by that time it did seem that the writing was on the wall, and John McCain was going to win. It is not uncommon for a candidate who is far behind to throw their support toward the candidate with the overwhelming support of the people."

Whether or not Nave's actions had any influence, McCain easily won the nomination on the second round of voting by the delegates.

"I think it's great that the students chose John McCain," Linn said. "He is a visionary leader with a wonderful pride and respect of America. He wants the country to succeed and be greater than what it is."





Photos by Brad Dell, Meredith Etcher and Meghan Duda



# OPINION

## Question of the week

**Who do you think the heroes of today are and why?**



**Jeff Simmons,**  
freshman  
"Sarah Michelle Gellar. She's smart, sexy, and slays vampires."

**Rita Longon,** sophomore  
"As a child it's easy to find a hero, but then disillusionment sets in and leaves you wondering who the real heroes really are."

**Bryan Althaus,** senior  
"Dan Knause because he is a role model for all young athletes and educators."



**Jason Jaskey,** senior  
"Commercial-[professional athletes] heroes are overrated."



**Mary Ellen Busey,** junior  
"The Dairy Queen workers are my heroes. The guy in Irwin was so passionate about serving ice cream. It made my day."

**Amanda Nemec,** senior  
"Anybody who's made a major change in someone's life - for the better, not the worse."

**Aaron Stamp,** junior  
"Tony 'Scarface' Montana. He came from the gutters of Cuba and became a rich entrepreneur in the USA."



**Angela Steck,** sophomore  
"People have personal heroes like parents and family members because they give us our morals and values."



**Teale Ganster,** freshman  
"Michael Jordan because he's the greatest athlete of the century."

## OUR VIEW: Mocking the Convention

Westminster College elected two heroes at the Mock Convention: one real and one fake. It took many by surprise when the final votes were counted and Clint Eastwood was nominated Vice President...but then again, why not?

The entire event seemed like a mockery of the actual Republican Convention. And the icing on the cake came with the suggested nominations of Elvis Presley and John Hauser for President and Dolly Parton, Jodie Foster, Ricky Martin and what we all thought to be a joke...Clint Eastwood as Vice-president.

What does it say about our campus community when we propose the nomination of a dead man for President and nominate a movie star for Vice-president?

It says that we are a campus lacking maturity, vision and care for the issues beyond this campus.

Not only was Eastwood's nomination an insult to the Convention, but so was the overwhelming presence of alcohol. Does alcohol have to drive every event on this campus? Even the Mock Convention, one of the oldest traditions at this college, was ridden with drunkards.

Granted, the Convention is meant to be as fun as it is academic. But does that give people an excuse to get drunk? Not even the official Convention proceedings could remain void of alcohol and even sexual references. State chairs crossed the line when they made reference to sexual and liquor during roll call. However, the crudeness did not stop at roll call. It in fact escalated throughout the events.

The signs making vulgar references about "bush" and so on were at least creative. However, when the campaign manager for John McCain referred to drinking alcohol in the midst of talking about real issues, it was both insulting and embarrassing for the other candidates, as well as for the college. But this campaign manager's tactics succeeded.

Cheers from the crowd abounded with the mentioning of Jack Daniels and Dan Brownley's underwear, but subsided when the real issues were addressed.

Beyond the petty crudeness of the Convention, a large percentage of delegates and even state chairs lacked knowledge of the focus, goals, intentions and rules of the Mock Convention.

Freshmen dominated the Convention, since Inquiry required them to participate. A lack of consistent information created mass confusion among the participants.

For example, during the campaigns leading up to the convention, the executive committee constantly pounded it into everyone's heads that the election was based on the campus campaign, not necessarily the national candidate. However, right before the candidates gave their speeches, they said that the state delegates and chairs should vote on the candidate, not the campaign managers.

If people took this literally, then there is no way that they could vote for Gary Bauer or Steve Forbes, since they had already dropped out of the national race.

Regardless of what the executive committee meant to say, this came off as a confusing contradiction to what was said during the campaign.

When people are misinformed, it does more damage than having no information at all.

So what can be done to improve the Mock Convention for 2004?

First of all, the Convention should begin earlier to avoid candidates dropping out before the event. This year, two major caucuses were completed before the Convention, including New Hampshire - arguably the most important primary of the election. By this time, candidates start dropping out of the race and the faults of the ones who stayed in shown brighter. Holding the Convention earlier will allow the mock-candidates to remain on more even ground.

Secondly, the distribution of information needs to be improved. It was a great idea to get the entire freshmen class involved, but unless they are informed, their participation is useless.

Since not all of the people on the campus are Republican, more emphasis needs to be put on the fact that it is a Mock Convention. Somehow the participants need to be made aware of the issues of the Republican party (or Democratic in the future). The Mock Convention should be a giant role-playing game, which focuses on the process, not an avenue to push personal views.

However, the major problem in our view, cannot be solved by simply re-evaluating the organization of the Mock Convention. We as a campus, we as a college, we as individuals, we as young adults, need to awaken from our collective immature drunken stupors, and make the most out of the experiences offered to us.

Last weekend could have been a phenomenally valuable experience. Instead, so many people took it as a joke, and apathetically spent two days mocking the convention.

## EDITORIAL CARTOON



Seems like the entire convention was sloppy...

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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Throughout this year I have questioned my safety when walking back to Hillside from on campus. Although the walk is short and seemingly harmless, I have felt uneasy after leaving the Ferguson parking lot until I get to the sidewalk going up the hill. This area has many potential hiding places for a "would be" attacker. If one was to be attacked at this point, the only hope they have is to run fast to the nearest dorm.

I suggest that a call box be placed on the bridge to Hillside, the bridge to Eichenauer, and other places around campus in order to ensure that any students, who run into trouble while walking on campus, can be brought to safety quickly.

I realize this might be a difficult and expensive project, but even if it saves only one person, it would be worth while. Many students do not seem to worry about safety on this campus, but in an era where school and workplace shootings are prevalent, it is obvious that crime can slip into the places we consider most safe.

I realize Security has an escort policy for people who are disabled or in an uncomfortable position, however, many students are afraid to take advantage of this service because they do not know about it or they do not want to take the time to call. I have never taken advantage of this service, but I am glad to know it is an option. I think security does a good job patrolling campus and I applaud them for keeping it safe. I'm just making one suggestion to make it even safer.

Sincerely,

Heidi Krieger

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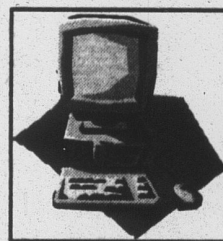
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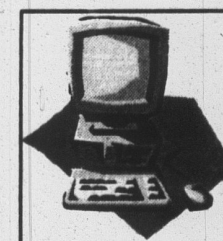
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6. Close the Options dialog box.

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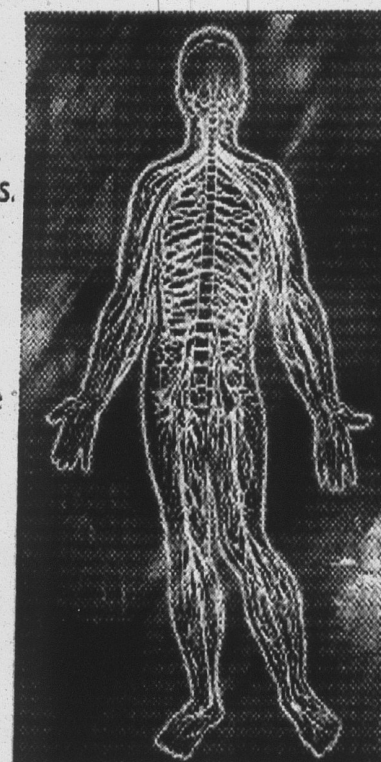
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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



## D. Bash

Director Danny Boyle's decision to place Leonardo DiCaprio in the starring role of *The Beach* has undoubtedly given the film a plethora of press, but at the same time, has made it the target of in depth critiques.

While this move could have guaranteed the film a glimmering place in the spotlight, it has instead proved to be a double-edged sword.

Studying *The Beach* as single entity is impossible. One cannot simply watch *The Beach*. The Beach is watched through the context of Leo starring in it.

It seems that the public is divided into two camps: DiCaprio fans, and DiCaprio detractors. Those who loathe him usually do so from a shallow standpoint, basing their dislike on his status as a YM-heartthrob, or his role in *Titanic*. It would be wise for those who discount him to take a look at DiCaprio's resume.

Before *Titanic*, virtually every role DiCaprio played was as far from the mainstream styling of *Titanic* as one could wish. Besides that, he proved himself as one of the best actors of our generation. Even *Romeo and Juliet*, which set the way for his titanic stardom, was ultra cool. And even though it made it big at the box office, it didn't detract from the almost indie cred DiCaprio had maintained. Then came *Titanic*.

In the eyes of many, *Titanic* sunk any cred that DiCaprio had garnered. Remember though, that he did little press for *Titanic*. DiCaprio did the movie, and the movie did what it did at the box office. If *Titanic* had done only modestly well at the box office, it's likely that Leo's image would be the same as pre-*Titanic*.

Enter *The Beach*. Word has it that DiCaprio's choice of what movie to do after *Titanic* was long and hard, since he wanted to make sure his next role would shatter the image of him built by *Titanic*. On the surface, *The Beach* appears to be a wise choice. Beneath the surface, though, it was dead wrong.

DiCaprio detractors watching *The Beach* won't be disappointed. *The Beach* is a dud, and DiCaprio comes nowhere close to making it float. It's not his fault, though. *The Beach* is a mess. While it aims to be deep, shocking and profound, it comes off shallow and cliched.

And while even though DiCaprio's acting is sub par to his usual excellence, not even an A+ performance as good as *This Boy's Life* or *Gilbert Grape* could keep *The Beach* from failing miserably.

The story, based on Alex Garland's book of the same name, centers around Richard (DiCaprio), who, while vacationing in Bangkok, discovers a map to an island; which is supposedly a hidden paradise. While many think it to be an urban legend, Richard, along with a French couple, decide to try finding the island.

They do, of course, or the title of the movie and the movie itself would not exist, which makes you wonder why Boyle even attempts to create suspense during their trip to the island. Of course, they make it: it's in the previews.

The first ten minutes of the film aren't bad, as DiCaprio stalks the streets to a tech soundtrack in a narrated sequence reminiscent of *Fight Club*. After these opening shots, though, it's rubbish.

Character development is non-existent. Any narration or dialogue that means to come off as profound is in the end merely idiotic. The much-talked about sex scenes added to the movie, supposedly to show off DiCaprio's ass, don't show his ass and do nothing for the movie.

Only more nonsensical is the scene in which Richard turns into a video game as he runs through the forest. Boyle would argue this scene holds meaning, but that would suggest the entire film has meaning, which simply doesn't stick.

The basic premise of Richard wanting to get away from the confines of civilization comes across best when he and Sal (*The Beach*'s first in command) make a trip back to the mainland for provisions. When they return, the nightlife is full of beer guzzling, conformist youth (think standard, idiotic, spring break, college party mentality) among a sea of commercialization. This provides an effective contrast to the ideals held back on the island. But like several recent books adapted to film, *The Beach* fails at creating any real resonance with the viewer.

Instead of feeling fulfilled, *The Beach* leaves nothing to take away but the hopes that DiCaprio will chose his next movie more wisely and regain his footing as one of the most brilliant actors of our time - a distinction he has already proven.

## Ash

Well, one thing is for certain...*The Beach* is definitely a perfect name for this movie. There was a plethora of beach/tropical island scenery. However, that is about the only thing in this movie that is well done.

*The Beach* is a letdown. The first fifteen minutes of the movie are interesting, and one might say highly intriguing. However, after this short beginning everything else is a confused, distorted mess with no point.

Richard (Leonardo DiCaprio) is a travelling youth disenchanted with the stereotypical tourist. He wants some excitement and wants to do something out of the ordinary. In his hotel in Bangkok he comes across a fellow resident who tells stories of a fabulous place called the beach. It is this man who gives Leo the secret map to this "paradise." From this humble beginning the story unfolds.

The acting in this movie was not bad. Everyone did a decent job. However, I'm not sure if Leo's acting is truly worthy of the 20 million that he supposedly earned for the filming of this

mediocre-at-best movie. In most of the scenes, rather than coming across as an angry, intimidating, *Lord of the Flies* psycho, he looked like a frustrated pre-pubescent boy with a Ramboesque bandana.

The other actors did a good job, but the real problem was the plot, or lack thereof. The movie kept going and going building up to climaxes without a final release.

The viewer is left asking, "what the hell was the point of that?" I kept looking for some profound, or at least thought-provoking insight to glean from what was occurring in the story line, but was unfortunately left completely devoid.

The setting for the movie was nice. A little tropical scenery for the imagination to relieve oneself from the drab, cold, wet, just plain depressing weather here. It was nice to see the perfectly serene blue waters and warm white sand. To dream of swimming, eating tropical fruits, and being surrounded by scantily clad women. However, that's where the enjoyment ended.

If you want this sort of atmosphere you can pay the money to see the movie, but a Honolulu tour brochure being viewed at the gymnasium pool during swimming practice would probably be a better alternative, or at least a cheaper one.

The cinematography was decent as well. There were definitely some wonderful shots. However, whoever had the idea to make Leo's dementia turn into a live video game needs to be thoroughly flogged with a cat-of-nine-tails...twice.

Come on, Leo is not Sonic the Hedgehog, though at times there is a slight resemblance. You know, the spikey hair, gopherish facial features - you get the picture.

This little special affect was just plain annoying and silly. The flogging may commence...now.

Overall, the movie probably could have been good, if it weren't for the pathetic story line. The setting, actors and actresses, and overall possibilities for the movie were great. Unfortunately however, it was pointless and dumb with nothing redeeming about it.

It built me up only to let me, slowly and methodically down. Also, it seemed to be trying to aspire to and, well, rip-off so many aspects from other movies. It was a mix between *Lord of the Flies*, *Fight Club*, *Swiss Family Robinson* and *Blue Lagoon*.

You expect a screwdriver, but get just plain ole OJ instead.

So, if you like Leo, then possibly that factor will redeem this movie. Perhaps you are fiendin' for some tropical action and my previous idea doesn't satisfy you, or you can't afford to go there. Then maybe this will satiate your fix.

Otherwise, I think that I'd much rather sit by Lake Britain reading *Robinson Crusoe* than see this movie again.

Conclusion: Sigh.....unsatisfying.

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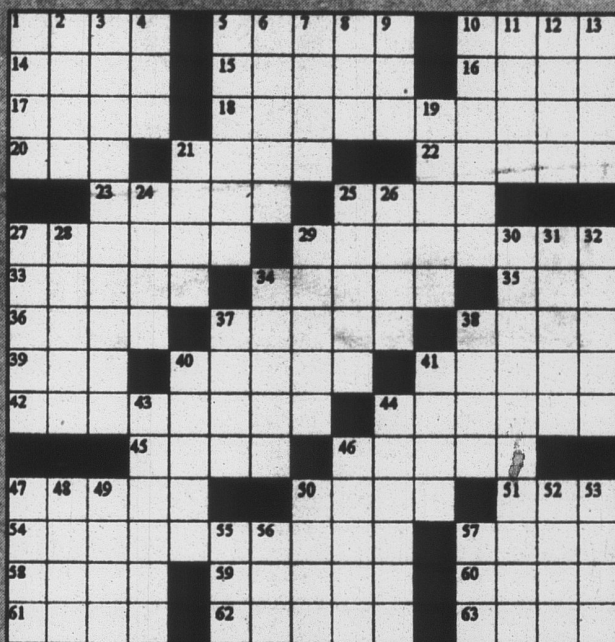


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39. Hockey's Bobby
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41. Dogma
42. Colorful organization
44. Rules
45. Connecticut school
46. River in France
47. Inched
50. Minestrone
51. Maria
54. Colorful fish
57. Proof read
58. "Bus Stop" playwright
59. Lena, singer
60. Arizona town
61. Dutch colonist
62. Complies
63. Consumes

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2. Hideous
3. Colorful pirate
4. Affirmative
5. Henpecker
6. Monsters
7. Competed
8. Pub feature
9. DC VIP
10. Mix with society
11. Herb
12. Dry
13. Pond
19. Trapshooting
21. Affirmative votes
24. Mishmashes
26. Smallest puppy
27. Tank, e.g.
28. Metric linear unit
29. Irish poets
30. Colorful drinks
31. An old bucket
32. Intertwines yarn
34. Erroneous
37. Implement
38. Russian river
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## HOROSCOPES

## Aries

Enjoy the attention you receive this week, but don't forget to send flowers or chocolates to your someone special. A good hearted co-worker or friend may offer you a gift, it should help to give you a little more of a positive flow, to your week.

## Taurus

A flurry of new business opportunities & your ability to knock on the biggest, fanciest, most impressive of doors will impress everyone this week. You'll find that you'll be able to demand entry, more easily than you ever expected.

## Gemini

You have a need to balance your domestic & professional responsibilities a little better. You generally like to stay pretty focused, but you'll find that juggling too many balls at the same time can make you feel very uncomfortable.

## Cancer

Your spiritual side will be in tune with everyone. Your people skills can open doors, creating opportunities for personal and professional advancement.

## Leo

This week's scenario is highlighted by your ability to be diplomatic when others around you have given up on the task. Professionally, you understand how to see past facades, get to the bottom line.

## Virgo

Professionally or personally you'll exude a sort of magnetism. Walk with confidence. The wonderful thing is that with confidence you'll be able to be bold, yet diplomatic, powerful, but non-threatening.

## Libra

This week's scenario is highlighted by a real need in your life for you to get back to basics. When it comes to the big issues, just keep taking mental notes. Time is on your side.

## Scorpio

Use your keen intuitive powers to weed out fraud & deceit. Spend a little extra time on your appearance, you're usually quite careful with your appearance but an unexpected visitor may catch you with your guard down.

## Sagittarius

You know you can get the troops charged up, but you need to get yourself going with a little pep talk. The best way to do that is to aim high. You may need someone close to confide your true feelings in.

## Capricorn

This week's scenario is highlighted by your interest in pursuing pleasure from group activities. You'll be at you best when among a lot of people. Maybe you can organize a group lunch or evening event to encourage others to share their hobbies, interests or passions.

## Aquarius

Sharing your love is one of your favorite pastimes. It's simply an extension of the spiritual ideal of loving all of humanity. Real intimacy is not about losing yourself to another person, but about meeting them with all of your identity intact.

## Pisces

This week's scenario is highlighted by financial opportunities to provide you with research & an ability to obtain valuable information. By midweek, spend some time visiting the library, bookstore or explore for information online.

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**TUESDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP** Feb. 22, at 7:30 a.m. at Lindley Dining Hall will be led by Dr. Floyd Zehr.

**DRESS FOR SUCCESS** Business Etiquette Dinner and Style Show is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 24, at 5:30 p.m. in Russell Dining Hall. This is a free event open to all students, but there is limited seating. Pick up ticket and choose entree at the Career Center.

**ALL-CAMPUS MEETING** is scheduled Feb. 29 at 11 a.m. in Beeghly Theater. Please mark your calendars.

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# Calendar of Events

## FRIDAY 18

11:30 a.m. Board of Trustees Meeting - TUB A/B  
 11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel  
 5:00 p.m. Sorority Saturday on Friday - Down Under  
 8:00 p.m. Wind Ensemble Concert - Orr Auditorium  
 TBA Men's and Women's GLIAC Swimming Championships @ Wayne State  
 10:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. JT's Cafe — Down Under

## SATURDAY 19

Board of Trustees Meeting  
 Fraternity Pick-up Day  
 11:00 a.m. Alpha Phi Omega Story Hour - McGill Children's Library  
 5:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Pick-up Day Dinner - Down Under  
 6:00 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Mercyhurst (H)  
 7:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel  
 7:00 p.m. Susan Shafer (Artist in Residence) Recital - Orr Auditorium  
 8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball vs. Mercyhurst (H)  
 TBA Men's and Women's GLIAC Swimming Championships @ Wayne State

## SUNDAY 20

6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting @ Chapter House  
 7:00 p.m. Vespers - Chapel  
 9:00 p.m. "The Sopranos" - Down Under  
 10:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

## MONDAY 21

### PRESIDENT'S DAY

Men's and Women's Indoor Soccer Intramurals  
 11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel  
 5:30 p.m. Panhellenic Meeting - TUB A/B  
 5:30 p.m. Phi Kappa Tau Meeting - HSC 152  
 5:30 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Ashland, OH  
 6:00 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall  
 6:15 p.m. Phi Mu Carnation Sister Revelation - PH 112-113  
 6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - Tub A/B  
 6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116  
 6:30 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311-312

7:30 p.m. Men's Basketball @ Ashland, OH  
 8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230  
 8:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice - Chapel  
 9:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Initiation - Chapel  
 9:15 p.m. Lambda Sigma Meeting — TUB A/B

## TUESDAY 22

### WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

11:15 a.m. Student Life & Athletic Council - TUB A/B  
 6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting - TUB A/B  
 6:30 p.m. SGA Debate - TUB Lounge  
 7:00 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal - Chapel  
 8:00 p.m. Foreign Film Festival: Ugetsu, a Japanese film - Down Under

## WEDNESDAY 23

10:00 - 3:00 p.m. Josten Ring Day - TUB Grill  
 12:30 p.m. Student Affairs Office Monthly Meeting - TUB A/B  
 5:00 p.m. Student Alumni Association Meeting - TUB A/B  
 6:00 p.m. Career Center Chicago Schools Presentation - TUB A/B  
 7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
 7:00 Chapel Staff Meeting - Chapel  
 8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B  
 8:00 p.m. Servant of Two Masters - Beeghly Theater  
 8:00 p.m. Student Pre-Law Association Meeting/Movie - PH 114  
 8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
 8:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Pi Membership Meeting - Old Main 317  
 9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - TBA

## THURSDAY 24

10:00 - 3:00 p.m. Josten Ring Day - TUB Grill  
 11:00 a.m. Staff Training Opportunity: Pointers for PowerPoint - HSC 152  
 7:00 p.m. Etiquette Dinner and Dress for Success Event - Russell Hall Dining Room  
 7:00 p.m. IFC Meeting - TUB A/B  
 7:00 p.m. Diversity Symposium: Cultural Encounters with Westminster's International Students and Students Studying Abroad  
 8:00 p.m. Servant of Two Masters - Beeghly Theater  
 9:30 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal — Chapel

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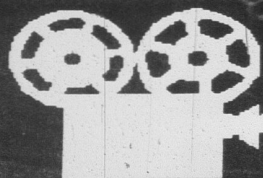
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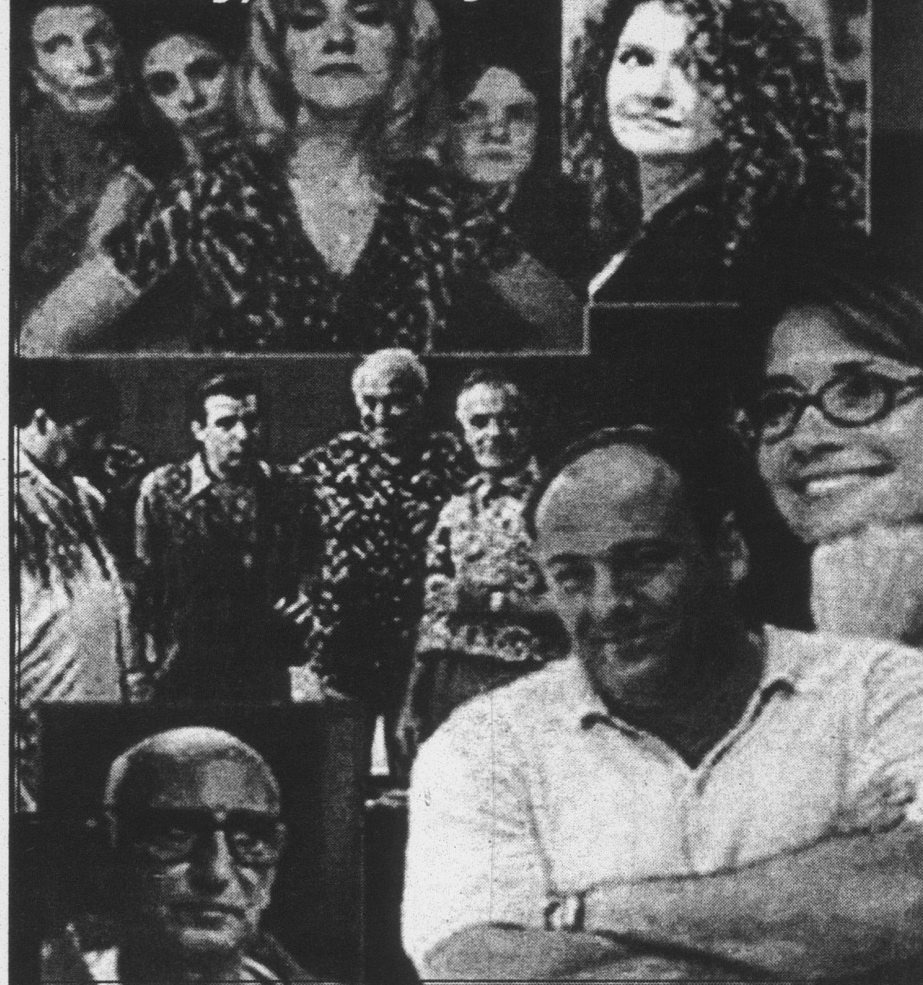


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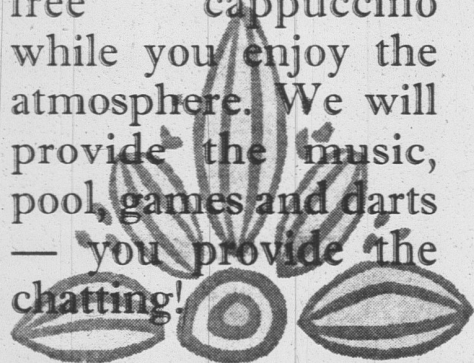
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## Eps dominate with 35 new pledges



holds Sigma Phi Epsilon's mascot. The Eps picked up 35 brothers, more than any other fraternity.

By Summerlea Hobbs  
STAFF WRITER

Hundreds of students gathered around the Memorial Field House Saturday afternoon to watch the activities of Westminster's traditional Fraternity Pick-up Day.

Each of the fraternities has their own ceremony that is done each year to welcome their new members into their brotherhood. Students stood by as new members scaled fences, were wrapped in toilet paper, thrown in Britain Lake, tackled to the ground and did push-ups in the snow.

The day consisted of breakfast for the brothers at the houses, public festivities outside the field house, a bonding activity in the afternoon, a formal dinner in the evening and mixers and open parties to close out the day.

A panel of ten students, one from each fraternity and sorority, judged all of the activities and dinners. Awards will be given for the best breakfast, the best activity, the best dinner, the

best ceremony and the best pick-up day. The winners will be announced at Sing and Swing in April.

"Everything was really nice, and attending all of the events was a lot different than I expected," said Brianne Caldwell, one of the judges. Activities that the judges attended included laser tag, paintball, football, CPR training and Titan Traverse.

Fraternify Rush began several weeks ago with rush parties known as "smokers" that were hosted by each fraternity in their house and concluded with round robins on Friday evening.

On Saturday Sigma Phi Epsilon brought in the most new members with 35. Sigma Nu introduced 13 new members, Alpha Sigma Phi, 10, Theta Chi, 12 and Phi Kappa Tau, 8.

"We thought we had a good time on Saturday, and when we woke up in an Amish family stable our suspicions were confirmed," said Tony Vicinelly, John Solo, Derek Black and Ryan Grissett of Sigma Nu.

## Nansen leads Titans to first GLIAC win

By Kate McKenzie  
STAFF WRITER

After a loss to Mercyhurst on Saturday, the Lady Titans redeemed themselves when they overpowered Ashland on Monday. It was their first GLIAC win of the season.

Going into the Mercyhurst game, Westminster knew what they had to do and felt they had a good chance to win. The team built themselves up with positive thinking and tried not to dwell on their prior loss to the Lady Lakers.

The Lady Titans started out well in the first ten minutes of the half leading Mercyhurst 12-11, but the Lakers came back and matched their intensity and went on a 27-3 run before

the end of the half.

"Our shooting percentage was poor in the Mercyhurst game, along with too many turnovers. If we could improve those areas, there would be more wins coming our way," Coach Jan Reddinger said.

In the second half, Westminster outscored Mercyhurst 44-38, but they had dug themselves too deep into a hole in the first half to recover. The Lakers kept up their offensive power, and stopped the Lady Titans from coming anywhere near their lead.

"We started out on a good note, but couldn't hold on. It's been a pattern for us, but we keep on going," Freshman Samor Himes said.

Jennifer Petures contributed 11 points, and Robin Thayer chipped in 18 with 7 rebounds

for Westminster.

The Lady Titans were looking forward to their second chance against GLIAC rival Ashland, and knew it was going to be a fight until the end. Their 4-20 record didn't show their talent and a win was long overdue for Westminster.

"The thing about our team is that we still know we can win. Psychologically we have it all together. No matter how many times we have lost, we still come out ready to play and



Photo by Courtney Behm

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Julie Nansen led scoring with a career high 27 points.

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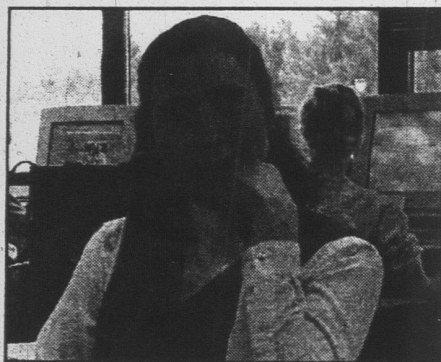
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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Face in the crowd: Sandra Webster



By Brent Wilson  
STAFF WRITER

Ceramacist, former department of defense employee and currently attempting to learn to speak Korean...who fits all these qualities you might ask? Professor of Psychology Sandra Webster does.

In 1983, Webster arrived in New Wilmington and soon became chair of the psychology department. This position caused her to delve into pottery - an artistic outlet, which she eventually merged with psychology.

"I started taking lessons from Kathy Koop (art professor). I started out of frustration with my department chair job. With my pottery I had something that was coming out that was very tangible, something that I can actually see. I also wanted to connect across disciplines...at the time I had no connections in art," Webster said.

Last year, Webster showcased several of her pieces with Koop and other artists at the Hoyt gallery. Webster's display had all of her pieces positioned around a computer, which explained the meaning of each one. The exhibit can still be viewed on the Internet at [www.psych.westminster.edu/ceramics/](http://www.psych.westminster.edu/ceramics/).

While still busy with her chair position and throwing pottery when she can, Webster is also spending five minutes every day learning Korean. Webster hopes to go to Korea next year to teach there for at least a semester.

"One thing that makes a good teacher is if you keep learning. This way you can understand why things are hard for students and be more sympathetic," Webster said.

Webster grew up in a family of eight children in the state of Illinois, where she would later go on to attend Southern Illinois University. It was there that she first developed her passion for psychology. She started out as an undergraduate knowing that she wanted a major that would provide her a job upon graduation, but she did not believe that psychology fell into that category.

Because of this, Webster started out her college career as a physics major but soon realized just how much she disliked chemistry. Then after taking her second psychology course, she knew what she wanted to do.

Webster went on to work in two different research jobs - one in medical research and the other with the Department of Defense during Carter's presidency.

"We studied the attitudes of high school graduates towards enlistment and predicted how many graduates would sign up. It was a great experience. The Department of Defense actually wanted to use the research to help people and make enlistment a better experience," Webster said.

Due to changes in government, funding for her company was cut and changed gears towards medical market research. Webster soon left this field due to an inability to use her research to directly influence people.

"Had we stayed with the Department of Defense I might still be there, it was a very interesting and fulfilling job," Webster said.

## Campus offers a variety of housing options

By Jen Body  
STAFF WRITER

Surprisingly, finding a place to live on campus is one of the hardest tasks a Westminster student can face.

Each spring the process repeats itself as students prepare for the annual room drawings. The buzz around campus begins with questions like, "Which dorm should I live in? Can I live next to my friends? How big will my room be? And how do I get permission to live off-campus?"

The housing options for Westminster men and women are also unlighted. Women have their choice of most buildings and room sizes - singles, doubles, triples or even a quad. Male upperclassmen normally move to Eichenhuer dormitory, but also have the choice of Fraternity housing. In order to be eligible for Fraternity living, men must be an academic junior or senior with a cumulative QPA of no less than a 2.0.

Women do not have sorority houses on

campus, but Ferguson hall is primarily used for Greek living. The floors are divided into halves, housing all five sororities in separate suites throughout the building.

Junior April McCarthy, a resident in Ferguson, enjoys living in a Greek community. "I love living around all of my sisters. I wish we could have a house of our own, but until that day comes, I'm satisfied with life on the suite."

Thematic housing options are also available for interested students.

Westminster offers honors floors throughout the campus, in addition to the ACE program, Adventures in a Community Experience - structured to accommodate students looking to expand their intellectual horizons.

Finally, there is the off-campus lottery, a chance for students to live in or around the New Wilmington community either in apartments or houses. A limited number of off-campus opportunities are available for all interested students who must be academic

juniors or seniors. A waiting list is also maintained for those unlucky students who draw in the lottery but do not receive an off campus bid. The lottery has already taken place for the 2000-01 school year, sending some students back to the drawing board.

Junior, Jennifer Rich thought about living in an apartment last year, but quickly changed her mind when she learned of the risks of the lottery. "I would have loved to get an apartment, but we needed to sign our lease in November. How could I sign that lease, not knowing whether or not I would get an off-campus bid? That was just a chance that I wasn't willing to take."

Drawings for Single Rooms, Triples, Quads, and Doubles are rapidly approaching, beginning on March 16 and running through March 28.

Questions about the college's housing selection procedures should be addressed to the office of student affairs, at EXT. 7110.

## Na urges students to find what fills their lives

By Mike Burnett  
STAFF WRITER

Religion Instructor Kang-Yup Na gave his "last lecture" on Feb. 15 in the TUB lounge.

Kylene Adams introduced Mr. Na with many positive words to say about him.

"Mr. Na challenges his students by constantly working them to the point where they admit they don't really know," Adams said. "As the reigning 'kiss a pig' contest victim, Mr. Na enjoys communicating with students through 'smiles from God' emails. These short messages are reactions to scripture readings and lessons meant to brighten the day for the many people on the email list."

"I try to be a benevolent pain in the butt," Na said. "Students should find out what makes them tick, what they are truly passionate about, and also what ticks them off."

Na presented his lecture, "Learning through Dead People," in hopes that he would annoy students just enough to get them to think more about their lives. Na provided students with tips for finding out what they want to do to fill their lives.

According to Na, students should develop a strong sense of wonder.

"Students should be curious about the world around them and ask questions, good questions," Na said. "Students who ask good

questions show they are thinking about the information being relayed. Thoughtful questions teach more than just straight lecture. It is tough to teach an old dog new tricks; it is tougher to teach a young dog old tricks."

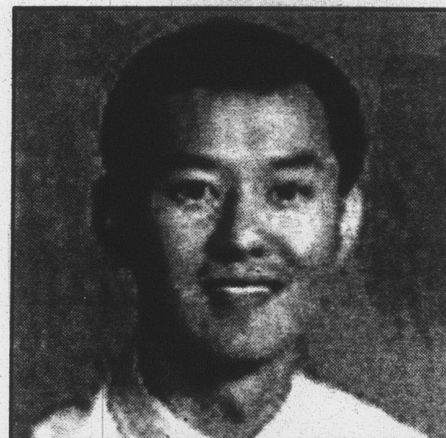
Na continued by challenging students to develop a spirit of contribution.

"College students can learn to love life by giving back to society," Na said. "The level on which you give is not important; the fact that you do give is important."

Na's lesson revolved around the teachings of such folks as Socrates. Socrates once said that the unexamined life is not worth living. Na's lecture is a reflection of this belief.

Na believes that humans are different in one special way from other animals. "We know we will die, but we live life as if we won't," Na said. "People, especially college students need to think about how they can contribute to the world before they become worm food [like Socrates]."

Na, 35, has lived life to the fullest so far. Born in Korea, Na came to the United States when he was ten years old. Since then, he has accomplished many things. He attended Princeton University for his undergraduate work and obtained a master's degree from the Princeton Theological Seminary. Na expects to complete his Ph.D this spring from Emory



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Kang-Yup Na

University.

An instructor in the department of religion, history, philosophy and classics since 1998, Na has teaching experience in New York City, Atlanta, Göttingen, Germany, Decatur, Georgia and Princeton, New Jersey.

Na is also a husband and father of three children and speaks eight languages. Music, weight lifting, mountain biking, tennis and travel comprise his hobbies.

## Lynn Emanuel shares brilliance with campus Various practical themes explored through poetic language

By Justin Nicolette  
STAFF WRITER

"She thought about him until his face, like a moth wing worn away by the soft fascination of a child, crumpled to odds and ends under the tall black chill of common sense." - Lynn Emanuel (Patient)

On Feb. 17 in Phillips Lecture Hall, nationally acclaimed poet Lynn Emanuel shared some of her brilliant poems with the

students of Westminster College as a part of the English Department's Bleasby Colloquium Series.

In his introduction of Emanuel, David Swerdlow remembered how John Solo, a student in his Who Am I? cluster class asked him, "What is a real poet?" Swerdlow said that in introducing Emanuel, he was answering Solo's question.

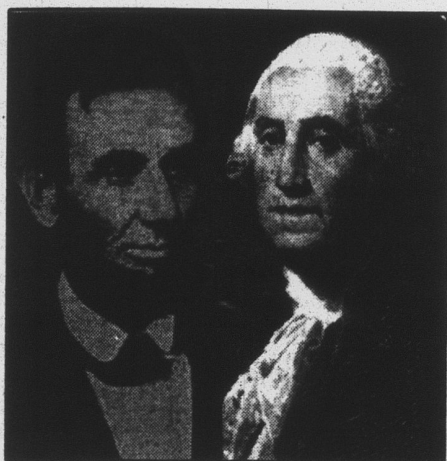
The night of reading was filled with creative adjectives that explained the simplest of

words. Adjectives like nosing, shadowing and engulfing filled the room, as Emanuel captured the crowd with crazy and exotic phrases such as "red as a face in a tantrum," and "pistols of wilted umbrellas."

Emanuel read poems which dealt with themes concerning the nuclear age, boom and bust towns, cooking, homage to other great poets such as Walt Whitman, and every day life. Emanuel put herself in the poetry she wrote. She also had a way of making the listener become a part of the poetry.



# Recounting the truth of the honored Presidents



AP File Photo

Lincoln and Washington are honored each year for their contributions to our country.

By Heather Salada  
STAFF WRITER

When President's Day arrives on the third Monday in February, we don't see people decorating their yards, dyeing eggs or stuffing themselves with turkey.

In fact, unless you're lucky enough to work for a bank or the Post Office, this holiday may slip by unnoticed by most Americans. There probably will be a President's Day coupon sale at Kaufmanns, but there is a coupon sale every weekend at Kaufmanns.

Of course, American students in elementary schools all over the country will reminisce about Abe coming out of the wilderness and George cutting down his father's cherry tree. But, here are the cold, hard facts.

It seems some of these stories are just not true. Washington never cut down a cherry tree. He never said, "I cannot tell a lie." The

story actually originated with a journalist who thought it showed how honest the President was.

Many people believe that Washington had false teeth made of wood. After his own teeth rotted away, he was fitted with false teeth made of hippopotamus ivory, metal and springs.

Although he was elected the first leader of the country, Washington never attended college himself. However, he left property in his will to establish a national university, which today is Washington and Lee University.

Today Abraham Lincoln is universally regarded as one of the greatest men to have occupied the presidency, but that was not always so.

Abraham Lincoln is quoted with saying, "When I came of age, I did not know much. I could read, write and cipher, but that was all."

Lincoln had only one year of formal education, but he had the ambition to learn what

he wasn't taught.

Few people know that this self-made and brilliant president suffered severe bouts of depression. His wife Mary Todd Lincoln never fully recovered her sanity after losing three of her sons to illness.

During his administration, he was criticized for his management of the Civil War. However, after his assassinating in 1865, his success in ridding the nation of slavery earned him immediate respect and admiration.

Junior Jessica Heenan believes President's Day is a significant holiday. "Washington and Lincoln helped shape the history of our country. Out of respect for our forefathers, we should observe President's Day with a day off classes," she said.

So, the next time you see President's Day on your calendar, think beyond the myths you learned in school and remember that although Presidents have weaknesses, they can still have a profound impact on society.

## On Sundays, Duff dining hall bridges the generation gap

By Laurie Sampson  
STAFF WRITER

A typical Sunday morning at Westminster begins around 11:30 when students, mostly wearing sweatpants and T-shirts, form a cluster around the glass doors of Duff Dining Hall, waiting to have their meal cards swiped.

After having their cards swiped by the student cafeteria worker, they blend into the muted social mix of post-weekend brunch.

However, two people in the cafeteria stand out from the others. Bill and Helen Dauberman do not swipe their meal cards to enter the cafeteria because they are not students here, which most people can tell by looking at them. Nearly every Sunday morning for the past five years, Bill and Helen, each 84 years-old, have traveled from their home, located in Wolf Creek between

Slippery Rock and New Castle, to Westminster College. Here they pay five dollars and twenty-five cents apiece to experience the atmosphere and dining services of Westminster College and Sudexo Marriot.

"The atmosphere here is very friendly and the students are great," Helen replied when asked why Duff Dining Hall was the couple's choice Sunday brunch buffet. "Also, the food is delicious."

While the Daubermans appear to be observing the Westminster student body as they slowly eat their French toast and eggs, the couple seems oblivious to the fact that the student body is also examining them.

"It's nice to see a different type of people around campus, especially in the cafeteria," sophomore Rebecca Cook said. "It adds variety to our small school. They seem like a very sweet couple."

While Bill and Helen are most easily spotted while seated in the student cafeteria, their involvement with Westminster goes much further than Sunday brunch. Last fall Helen, 83 at the time, attended Yoga classes in the evenings with community members and students in Old 77.

The Dauberman's are also huge fans of the celebrity series and have been long-time attendants of Westminster's Fourth of July celebration. They also enjoy attending Titan basketball games, when possible.

"I was very impressed by the social gatherings in the lobby after the games," Bill said. "The way everyone seems to know each other reminds me of a big family."

Bill and Helen attended college in central Pennsylvania. Bill graduated from Bucknell University in 1938, the same year that Helen graduated from Susquehanna University.

Eventually, they moved to Illinois where they both became teachers - Bill taught engineering at Valparaiso University, near Chicago, while Helen taught business classes at a nearby high school.

Two of the Dauberman's children, Susan and David, still reside in Chicago, where they were raised, while one of their children, Cindy, lives in Germany with her husband's family and the Dauberman's grandson.

Because their family lives far away, having a community like Westminster to become involved in is important to Bill and Helen. This is why they donate money annually to the school, and encourage students, alumni and their families to do so, as well.

"It's our way of saying thank you to the students for being so nice," Helen said with a smile.

## Campus Briefs

### Keen Compher speaks at Carnegie Museum

Dr. Keen Compher, professor of biology, recently spoke about teaching evolution at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History in Pittsburgh.

Compher established the first Museum Encounter on Feb. 1 with the help of the Pat McShea of the Carnegie Museum of Natural History's Education Department, Dr. Mary Dawson, curator of vertebrate paleontology, Albert Kollar, collections manager for invertebrate paleontology, and Phil Parr, director of development of Pittsburgh Public Schools. He spoke to 45 biology teachers about the challenges of teaching evolution today. He also revisited his January travel course to the Galapagos Islands.

Compher, who has been teaching on campus since 1993, earned his undergraduate degree from Wake Forest University, and his Ph.D. from the University of Virginia.

### English Professor to judge literary competition

Dr. David Swerdlow, associate professor of English, will judge a student literary competition for East Central Colleges.

The literary competition is open to all registered students of the nine ECC colleges: Bethany, Heidelberg, Hiram, Marietta, Mount

Union, Muskingum, Otterbein, West Virginia Wesleyan, and Westminster. Judges will not know the identity of the entrants and will not read or evaluate the entries of students from the colleges where they teach.

Swerdlow, who has been with Westminster since 1990, specializes in poetry, and comparative and contemporary literature. He was a Fulbright professor of American Literature in Peru, and a Fellow for the National Endowment of the Humanities.

### Opal Palmer Adisa to speak at Diversity Symposium

Opal Palmer Adisa, a Jamaican-born award-winning poet, educator, and storyteller, will speak on diversity on small college campuses Monday, February 28, at 4:20 p.m. in Westminster College's Phillips Lecture Hall of Hoyt Science Resources Center.

Adisa's interests lie in the literature and culture of the English-speaking Caribbean, employing the griot tradition to involve listeners, and transforming them into active participants in her performance.

The talk is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Dr. Phyllis Kitzerow, professor of sociology at Westminster College and coordinator of the event, at (724) 946-7252.

## Welcome to Sigma Kappa!

Erin Battin

Katie Behling

Missy Dugan

Tracy Evans

Heidi Holets

Molly Householder

Lisa Howard

Shana Johns

Katie McCluskey

Jenn Mossor

Caryn Nicholson

Sarah Plimpton

Jessica Romel

Shanna Sallmen

Kim Schroeder

Linda Sestric

Anne Smith

We Love You All "One Heart One Way!"



# AROUND THE GLOBE

## COMMUNITY

### Local Non-Profit holds banquet

By Darcie Yobb  
STAFF WRITER

Faith, Hope & Charity, Inc., a local non-profit community and rehabilitation center, will hold its 10th Annual Fundraising and Awards Banquet at the Villa Restaurant in New Castle at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Keynote speaker Lynda Lambert, artist and assistant professor at Geneva College and former executive director of The Hoyt Institute of Fine Arts, will talk about her artwork and her involvement with Faith, Hope & Charity.

Area youths and seniors will also participate at the event - with musical numbers and other surprises.

Since meeting Faith, Hope & Charity's founder and CEO, Sally Faucette-Carter, at one of The Hoyt's annual summer arts festivals, Lambert said she "learned of...the goals and plans that the founders of the organization [FH&C] had for the community. I was very impressed with them and the leadership of the organization," Lambert said.

Established in 1990, Faith, Hope & Charity, Inc. is dedicated to meeting the needs of its community, New Castle's West Side. Faith, Hope & Charity focuses much of its energy and funding towards its community's youth, believing that by providing positive role models, self-esteem building, and upward mobility training children can gain the confidence and skills to be whomever they want to be.

Faith, Hope & Charity hosts a Youthfest every summer and has held workshops on everything from microwave oven cooking to interview etiquette.

For the past ten years Faith, Hope & Charity has been fundraising construct a permanent facility to hold the programs and services the organization provides, as well to be able to develop new programs and services. Though Faith, Hope & Charity has bought property for the facility and has built a small building on the lot, much more work and funding is needed before Faith, Hope & Charity will be able to provide the tutoring, counseling, rehabilitation, recreational, and child care services it hopes to.

"We're still a long way from what I envision as Faith, Hope & Charity becoming," Faucette-Carter said. "Sometimes it's discouraging, but we keep going. Our goal is worth it."

Faucette-Carter said she expects the banquet to be a good time for all as well as a starting point for new relationships between people to develop.

A ticket donation of \$20 is requested per person attending the banquet. But for those would like to get involved in Faith, Hope & Charity's mission and who may be low on cash, Faucette-Carter said that volunteers are always needed and greatly appreciated. For more information, call or fax Faith, Hope & Charity at (724) 652-1433 or e-mail at Sfaucettec@aol.com.

### Chicago schools recruit students

By Meghan Duda  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

It began with a dream like Kevin Costner's in the movie *The Field of Dreams*. The overpowering voice Costner heard, "If you build it, they will come." And, like in the movie, the dream is coming true.

"I had a dream," Professor of Education Al Johnson said, "that school districts from all over the country would come to recruit (our) students."

The college built on their already strong education department and with the visit of two recruiters from Chicago Public Schools (CPS), "they" are coming.

Nina O'Neil and Kelly Nobel, both of CPS, visited Westminster Wednesday evening to discuss what Chicago has to offer prospective students.

For O'Neil, this was a return to her alma mater. A 1990 graduate of the college, O'Neil says that they included Westminster on the list because of the college's continuing excellence in education.

"I know that the education department has always been very strong," O'Neil said. "But Westminster students [in general] are always exceptional in the (working) world."

The venture of recruiting the "best of the best" from 55 colleges across the country is actually the third step in an attempt to better the CPS system.

The mission began in 1995 when Chicago's Mayor Richard M. Daley promised

to turn schools around. Despite advice against his plans, in 1995, he personally held himself accountable in educating the workforce of tomorrow. They called it one of the worse political positions someone could put themselves in. However, it worked. Over the past five years, test scores have steadily increased, attendance rates have risen and truancy rates have dropped. In addition, after having been voted the worst school system in the country in the 1980's, President Clinton has commended CPS as a model for school reform for the last two years.

The city then began to focus on the structures of accountability and look for what was missing in those structures. They have invested \$2.1 billion into capital redevelopment and have been creating environments that are more conducive to learning.

Now, the focus has been shifted to human infrastructure. There are six recruiters, one for each of the six regions the Chicago school district is broken into. The recruiters focus on finding the best-qualified and best-suited candidates for each school by working directly with the principals in order to establish a better feel for what each school looks for in their teachers, and what the schools need. The personal profiles of the students are then compared to the needs of the schools and the candidates and schools are matched on an individual basis.

Overall, they are seeking a certain type of student, which they call a "fierce crusader."

"This person is someone who begins the see CPS page 15

## Weird and Strange News

### Firefighter arrested for noshing nude

NEW YORK - Restaurant owners trying to figure out who was stealing their stock installed video cameras to catch the thief - and made a startling discovery. They allegedly caught their landlord, a city firefighter, downing expensive food and wine in the place after hours - in the nude. Albert Hohmann has been suspended without pay after being arrested on charges including burglary, petty larceny and criminal mischief, a fire department spokesman said. Hohmann, 46, lives on the second floor of the house he leases to the Tottenville Inn. Michelle Macula, a partner in the restaurant, said surveillance tapes recorded after business hours caught him in the act. "We saw him just walking around naked," she said. "He went behind the bar and made himself a drink."

### Let the underwear be thrown

GRETNALAND, La. - The debate was serious. The vote unanimous. The law, however, seemed a little goofy. It's now legal here to throw panties from Carnival floats. "So we're pro-panties - it's on the record," Gretna City Councilman Vincent Cox joked after the 4-0 vote. The council did vote to make it illegal to throw anything that depicts "male or female genitalia, is lewd or lascivious and includes, but is not limited to, condoms and inflatable paraphernalia." Grady Richards, captain of the West Bank Social and Marching Club, firmly backed the vote. "Panties have been a

legitimate throw for Mardi Gras for years," he said.

### So, is Victor really Kimberly's father?

SALT LAKE CITY - Forget Jerry Springer. Some of the biggest lies on TV are on daytime soap operas. That's what two graduate students at Brigham Young University have found after deciding to research just how many lies the characters on soaps tell. They found during one week of viewing that shows averaged five lies per hour, most often between people with close relationships. They also found female characters lied more than male characters. For the most part, the lies were believed, and the ethical implications of all that lying were almost never considered by the liars or others.

### Mixing business with pleasure

COLUMBIA, S.C. - A printing error in some new BellSouth telephone directories lists the number for a phone-sex business under its jobline. The (Columbia) State newspaper reported. "This is terribly embarrassing," said a spokesman for Bapco, the BellSouth printing subsidiary in Atlanta. The misprint changed one digit of the 10-digit toll-free number and hooked callers up to connection that costs \$2.50 a minute. "Hi, sexy," purrs a woman's pre-recorded voice. "You've reached the live One-on-One Fantasy Line, where the girls are always hot, and ready to

fulfill every fantasy you've ever had." BellSouth said it will put an electronic intercept on the misprinted number to ensure that anyone trying to call the jobline won't get the sex-line.

### Kindness of strangers

SAN ANTONIO - A South Texas hotel housekeeper who'd been robbed last year did something nice for a member of the Toronto Raptors - and came away \$1,000 richer for her kindness. After the Raptors' loss to the San Antonio Spurs earlier this month, an unidentified member of the visiting NBA team apparently left behind a money clip loaded with \$5,000 cash in his hotel room, according to officials at Plaza San Antonio. When Tomasa Luna, a 61-year-old housekeeper, found the clip, she promptly turned it in. The guest called the hotel about the missing money a few days after checking out and rewarded Luna.

### Virtual mourning

SYRACUSE, N.Y. - The cycle of life - as broadcast in cyberspace - is almost complete. Births already have been shown live over the Internet. Now a funeral director wants to broadcast funerals online. Fred Ferguson said that he decided to do it out of compassion for loved ones who cannot attend services in person. So far, Ferguson hasn't had any takers on his site, [www.FergusonFuneralHome.com](http://www.FergusonFuneralHome.com). "I don't think there's going to be a big demand for it," said Ferguson, who is providing the

service for free. "But we've got it if anybody wants it."

### Teacher arrested for treatment of student

MONTGOMERY, Ala. - A junior high school teacher was arrested for allegedly making a 13-year-old boy urinate in a classroom trash can. Ryan Calhoun's parents said their son repeatedly asked teacher Carey Jones for permission to use the bathroom during math class until Jones told him to urinate in a wastebasket. The teen-ager said he moved the trash can to a corner of the classroom and wrapped a jacket around himself for privacy.

Jones, 26, was arrested and charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

### Guilty conscience

SAN FRANCISCO - Three paintings stolen during a museum break-in 22 years ago have been returned to the walls of the M.H. de Young Memorial Museum. The paintings were swiped Christmas Eve 1978. They reappeared in November at William Doyle Galleries in New York, left in a bag by an anonymous man now being sought by the FBI and San Francisco police. Harry Parker III, director of museums for the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco, said he had no idea where the paintings have been. But on Thursday, he proudly showed off the damaged art and the 18th century Dutch cabinet that the thief scaled to escape.



## REGIONAL

## Dorant woman gets \$1 million through Jarrett's NASCAR win



AP File Photo  
Dale Jarrett's win meant millions for one woman.

By Shelly Anderson  
POST-GAZETTE SPORTS  
WRITER

Everybody wants to be a millionaire. Why else would the country put up with having Regis Philbin beamed into our living rooms all the time?

Melissa Brown of Dormont now knows the feeling.

As part of a promotional contest, she was paired with NASCAR driver Dale Jarrett for the Daytona 500 yesterday. When Jarrett won, he and Brown each received a \$1 million bonus from R.J. Reynolds. The tobacco firm sponsors the Winston Cup stock car racing

series of which the Daytona 500 is the premier event.

Brown got the royal treatment. She and her husband, Bill, got a free trip to Florida and watched the race from a special box. Jarrett called her over for a nationally televised hug in victory lane. She was even presented with one of those oversized checks.

"I still can't believe it," Brown said by cell phone a couple of hours after the race.

"We've been pretty financially strapped. My husband has been working two jobs for almost a year. Working 14 hours a day is not easy."

Brown, 42, enters contests all the time. She got involved with this one, the "No Bull 5"

bonus program, by simply mailing in an entry form.

She and four others were selected at random, and then randomly paired with five drivers who had qualified based on their finishes at Talladega Superspeedway in October.

Brown said she and her husband were convinced there was something special working for her.

"They received over 400,000 entries, and only five people got picked," she said. "And then the driver you were paired with had to not only finish the race but win."

"To me, that's more than just luck. We just felt like there was just some force that made this happen."

## Monongahela River flooding cleanup continues

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Clean-up efforts and damage assessments will continue today in towns along the Monongahela River following weekend flooding along a 91-mile stretch of river between Pittsburgh and the West Virginia border that forced people from their homes, stopped commercial river traffic and led Gov. Ridge to declare the region a disaster area.

Flood warnings issued by the National Weather Service were lifted just before 6 p.m. yesterday.

Officials in Allegheny, Fayette, Washington and Westmoreland counties estimated that several hundred homes and dozens of businesses had been flooded, most of them in their basements. By last night, though, most residents were able to return to their homes and had started to clean up the debris from the flood.

"The recovery is well on its way," said Robert Full, chief of Emergency Services for Allegheny County. "The people who are most affected are the most experienced at handling this."

In fact, as bad as the muck and the mud were in some areas, many people looked on

the bright side.

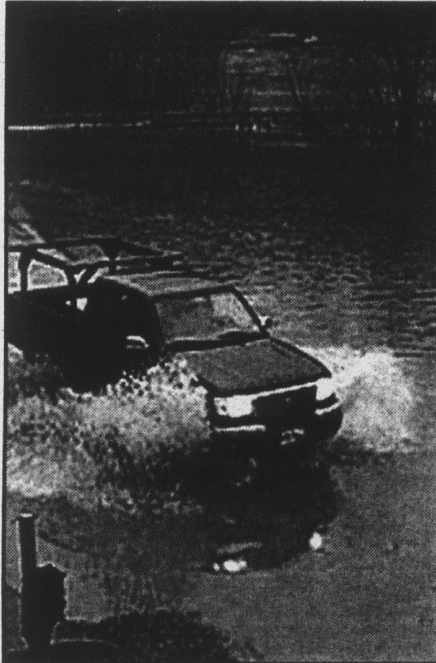
Over and over yesterday, flood victims kept noting that, despite original predictions, the water did not rise to the level that it did 15 years ago when a November flood caused \$40 million worth of damage along the Mon in the same areas.

"It had all the potential of looking like it might be 1985 all over again," said Marko Bourne of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency. "A foot here or there can make all the difference in the world."

In 1985, the flood waters crested at 43 feet in Charleroi, Washington County, where flood stage is 28 feet. The flood stage in a particular area is the point at which the river spills its banks and damage begins.

On Saturday night, the waters reached 38.5 feet in Charleroi. Last night, the level was 23.7 feet and dropping.

The hardest hit areas were Elizabeth Borough and West Elizabeth in Allegheny County where about 100 properties, most of them residences, were hit; a section of the Mon Valley from Charleroi to California on the river's western bank; and Belle Vernon and Fayette City in Fayette County on the river's eastern bank.



AP File Photo  
Gov. Ridge declared the Monongahela River flooding a disaster area.

## Slippery Rock debates name of rec center

By Milan Simonich  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

An old-fashioned showdown is brewing at Slippery Rock University, where money-conscious students want to stop a new campus recreation center from being named for former school president Robert N. Aebersold.

Instead of using the \$11 million building to honor Aebersold, a band of students wants to sell the naming rights to a corporation.

Slippery Rock's 7,500 students each must pay \$130 a year for the recreation center. They figure they could retire the construction debt faster and perhaps hold down maintenance costs if they followed the example of the Pittsburgh Pirates by selling the naming rights to a company trying to shine up its image.

The Pirates' new ballpark will be named after PNC Bank, which paid \$30 million over 20 years for that right. Taxpayers covered the cost of most of the new ballpark, yet the team made money by selling the naming rights.

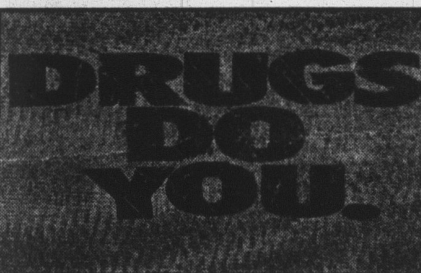
On the Slippery Rock campus, located 50 miles north of Pittsburgh, students say they deserve to sell the naming rights because they're paying the bill for the recreation center.

They want school trustees to reverse a 1996 decision to name the building for Aebersold, who worked at Slippery Rock for 28 years, including the last 13 as president.

The recreation center is to be dedicated March 10. Aebersold, 63, would return to campus for the occasion.

Hoping to block any such ceremony, students mobilized in November and collected 1,366 signatures to force a referendum on whether Aebersold's name should go on the building.

The ensuing election turnout was paltry, but students nonetheless voted 58-36 against naming the building for him.



## The Region in Brief

## Memorial Service

Apollo police Sgt. Robin Davis bows her head in prayer during a church service for slain rookie Apollo police officer Leonard C. Miller, who was memorialized Sunday at First Evangelical Lutheran Church. Leonard was just 21 years old when he was gunned down Jan. 3, 1980, during a traffic stop. After the service, an open house was held at Adelphi Village's Leonard C. Miller youth shelter, also in Apollo. Miller was one of four people slain during a murder spree between Dec. 27, 1979, and Jan. 3, 1980. Michael J. Travaglia, 41, formerly of Washington Township, and John C. Lesko, 40, formerly of Homestead, Allegheny County, were convicted of first-degree murder in 1981 for killing Miller and sentenced to death. Both men remain on death row while appealing their case.

## Pair charged with assaults

Two people face preliminary hearings

after being charged in separate aggravated assault incidents in North Union Township, Fayette County. State police at Uniontown charged Billie Blaker of Lemont Furnace after she allegedly used two kitchen knives to stab Todd Niclow, also of Lemont Furnace. Police allege Baker and Nicklow were involved in an argument before the stabbing early Thursday. Police said Nicklow refused medical treatment. Blaker was lodged in the Fayette County Prison. In an incident Tuesday, police charged Timothy Reckner, 25, after he allegedly fired three rounds from a handgun inside a trailer at 14 Phillips Manor, which police say he shared with Kim Wickline, 33. Police said one bullet almost struck Wickline. Reckner was jailed in lieu of \$10,000 straight bond.

## Fox puts hold on TV marriage rerun

Fox has abruptly canceled a scheduled one-hour rerun Tuesday of "Who Wants to

Marry a Multi-Millionaire?" because of concerns about the background of Rick Rockwell, the Aspinwall native who married Darva Conger on last week's show. A report Sunday quoted court documents as showing that a former fiancée had won a restraining order against him nine years ago. In a statement released yesterday, the network said: "Fox has become aware of information regarding Mr. Rockwell's past. In light of that new information, the network feels that to rebroadcast the special would be inappropriate." Since Wednesday, the newlyweds have been the subject of a variety of rumors on talk radio and media reports that have delved into Rockwell's past and questioned whether he is as rich as he claims. Until yesterday, Fox discounted the rumors, saying it had checked his net worth before the show and found him to be worth at least \$2 million. The network also said, up until yesterday, that Rockwell and Conger were having a fine time on their honeymoon.



## NATIONAL

## Avalanche claims life of skier; could have been prevented

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) - David McPhedran and Aimee Reiter were spending the day skiing in an area of Mount Washington called the Gulf of Slides.

The name proved horribly prescient on Sunday when an avalanche hit New England's highest peak around 1 p.m. and swept the pair down the mountain. It was one of two fatal avalanches in the East over the weekend.

"They decided to climb up one of the gullies to ski down it and caused the avalanche,

which swept them down the gully," said Col. Ron Alie of the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department. "She was buried waist-deep, but David was buried face down."

Reiter climbed out and uncovered McPhedran, 42, but was unable to save him.

Both taught at Maranacook Community School in Readfield, Maine.

Mount Washington is one of the few places in the Northeast where avalanches are often a threat. "The danger right now is very high, and travel in avalanche country is not

recommended," Alie said.

Anna Porter, a weather observer at the Mount Washington Observatory, said wind gusts reached 64 mph at the summit on Sunday afternoon. Visibility was one-sixteenth of a mile with blowing snow and freezing fog, she said.

The 6,288-foot mountain has some of the world's worst weather and was the site of the highest wind speed ever recorded - 231 mph on April 12, 1934.

Had McPhedran and Reiter called the

Appalachian Mountain Club to check conditions Sunday morning, they would have heard a warning to stay away.

In addition to the wind, more than a foot of snow fell during the weekend.

"Underneath that new snow is harder packed snow," Alie said. "When you go up onto it, it slips on the surface of the harder packed snow. Once it starts, it gains speed until it goes all the way to the bottom."

## Six-year-old dies after being drug through chase

INDEPENDENCE, Mo. (AP) - Motorists watched in horror as a stolen vehicle sped down a highway, dragging to death a little boy who was entangled in a seat belt outside one of the doors.

Six-year-old Jake D. Robel of Blue Springs died Tuesday before the driver of the Chevrolet Blazer could be stopped by pursuing motorists. Witnesses said the chase reached speeds of 80 mph.

"He came flying around us and we saw the kid hanging out the side of the car bouncing," said Fred Byam, who chased the Blazer. "I was honking my horn and flashing my lights."

Police said the vehicle was stolen when Jake's mother left it running while she went

inside a sandwich shop.

The carjacker jumped into the Blazer and tried to shove the boy out of the car, Sgt. Gregg Wilkinson said.

"He probably thought he'd gotten the kid out, because then he took off," Wilkinson said.

Motorists along Interstate 70 east of Kansas City flashed their lights and honked horns in an attempt to stop the vehicle. The driver, who was not identified by police and had not been charged Tuesday night, was stopped when four men in two trucks and a car surrounded the Blazer at a stoplight.

The driver allegedly got out of the vehicle, saw Jake's body, then jumped back in and

tried to drive away. Witnesses said the men wrestled the suspect to the ground and waited for police to arrive; they also tied the suspect's legs with a rope when he tried to flee.

"He was going to leave, he was going to run off," said John Rodgers.

"They sat on him and held him until police got there. There was a woman trying to beat him, and they held her off until police arrived."

An 11-year-old boy from one of the pursuing vehicles later took a blanket and placed it over the victim, whose clothes had been mostly torn off.

## Bush blames democrats for Michigan loss

LOS ANGELES (Reuters) - Texas Gov. George W. Bush blamed meddling Democrats for his loss in Michigan's primary, warning the Republican Party on Wednesday that those voters would dump rival John McCain in the presidential election.

Bush, who lost to the Arizona senator by seven points, mostly because of the huge turnout of Democrats in Michigan on Tuesday, declared himself the winner of "the Republican and independent primary."

"Last night, I lost the liberal-Democrat vote of people who came into our primary to hijack our election and then go back to (Vice President) Al Gore in November," he told reporters in Los Angeles.

Bush said neither he nor his campaign had anticipated "that nearly 20 percent of the Republican primary would be made up of liberal Democrats," but added: "That's OK. That's going to stop here pretty soon."

He was referring to upcoming primaries on Feb. 29 in Virginia and Washington and March 7's bonanza in California, Ohio, New York and nine other states. In several of those states, including California and New York, only Republican votes will determine who wins delegates to the convention that will nominate the party's presidential candidate.

Bush called his loss "a glancing blow" and said he expected to bounce back in the next two weeks.

"I'm going to win the Republican Party nomination. I knew it was never going to be easy... March 7 is going to mean a lot to us both," he said.

For Bush, the silver lining in Michigan was his victory over McCain among Republicans where he won 67 percent of the vote and he immediately turned his attention to the biggest prize of all - California.

"I've been to many cities and towns across this state and I look forward to being here as much as I can," he said. He announced he would participate in a debate on March 2 with McCain and talk show host Alan Keyes, who also is running for the Republican presidential nomination.

Nevertheless, the Michigan loss was a blow to Bush, once the prohibitive front-runner for the Republican presidential nomination who has now lost three major primaries - New Hampshire, Michigan and Arizona.

The spotlight shifts to March 7, Super Tuesday, when Bush is counting on his superior organization and support from the Republican power elite to pull him through.

## Angry bar-hopper kills two, injures two more

JOLIET, Ill. (AP) - A man sped away from a tavern after the bartender stopped serving him, setting off a chain of crashes along Interstate 55 that killed two people and critically injured two others, state police said.

Douglas Florey was charged with two counts of reckless homicide in the deaths of Richard C. Lochowitz, 42, and Willie J. Hayden, 47.

"He was asked to leave and when he did leave, he went out and the first thing he did

was back into the bartender's car," Sgt. Jeff Hanford said.

Witnesses told investigators that Florey, 31, sped north on the highway at more than 100 mph after leaving the bar in Wilmington on Tuesday night.

Near Joliet, which is about 10 miles north of Wilmington, Florey's pickup truck hit another truck from behind, then crossed over the median into the southbound lanes, police said. It struck Lochowitz's car nearly head-on,

then sideswiped Hayden's van, causing it to overturn, Hanford said. Florey's truck spun around, and another vehicle struck him from behind.

Lochowitz and Hayden were pronounced dead at the scene. Florey suffered a broken leg and pelvis and was in serious condition today at Provena St. Joseph Medical Center in Joliet. Two other people in the cars, one of them a 15-year-old boy, were in critical condition, while a third was in good condition.

## Supreme Court struck discriminating Hawaii law

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Supreme Court today struck down Hawaii's practice of letting only people with Hawaiian blood vote for leaders of a program that benefits descendants of the island's original residents.

The voting restriction allows unlawful racial discrimination, the justices ruled by a 7-2 vote.

"A state may not deny or abridge the right to vote on account of race, and this law does so," Justice Anthony M. Kennedy wrote for the court as it invalidated a provision of

Hawaii's constitution.

A white Hawaii rancher had challenged the state's limits on who can vote for trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, which administers state funds and proceeds of public land to aid people descended from original Hawaiians.

The office, created in 1978, administers a \$300 million trust that provides economic, social, health and education aid for about 200,000 residents of Hawaiian blood.

The state constitution limits voting for the

trustees to people descended from the original Hawaiians on the islands in 1778, date of the first known arrival by Europeans.

State officials, supported by the federal government, argued that the voting law was valid because Congress and the state have an obligation to native Hawaiians who lost their land, similar to the government's obligation to American Indians.

The court refused to treat Hawaii's practice as one similar to federal programs to aid Indian tribes.

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## INTERNATIONAL

## Albanians march to end ethnic divisions in Kosovska Mitrovica

KOSOVSKA MITROVICA, Yugoslavia (AP) - Thousands of Albanians Monday began a march to call for an end to ethnic divisions in Kosovska Mitrovica, where NATO-led peacekeepers searched for illegal weapons after weeks of violent clashes.

About 150 U.S. soldiers returned to the northern part of Kosovska Mitrovica Monday, a day after they and German troops were pelted with stones and bricks by angry Serbs who accused them of aggressive behavior in house-to-house searches.

French troops had sealed off the predominantly Serb area of town where the searches were conducted to prevent further clashes with peacekeepers.

The massive operation to crack down on hidden weapons was launched at dawn Sunday in response to recent violence in Kosovska Mitrovica. The northern industrial town has been a recurring flashpoint for ethnic tensions since the NATO-led peacekeep-

ing force entered Kosovo in June.

Most recently, nine people were killed and dozens injured in ethnic violence that followed a rocket attack on a U.N. bus that killed two Serb civilians on Feb. 2. French troops, who are permanently stationed in the town, have been criticized by U.N. police and ethnic Albanians for failing to provide security for Albanians living on the Serb side.

Also Monday, groups of hundreds of Serbs gathered on the northern bank of the Ibar near the town's main bridge, the site of past clashes. On the south side, a large group of ethnic Albanians broke through a cordon of British peacekeepers to make their way towards the bridge.

Early Monday, tens of thousands of ethnic Albanians from the provincial capital, Pristina, set out on a 25-mile march to Kosovska Mitrovica, calling for unity and peace.

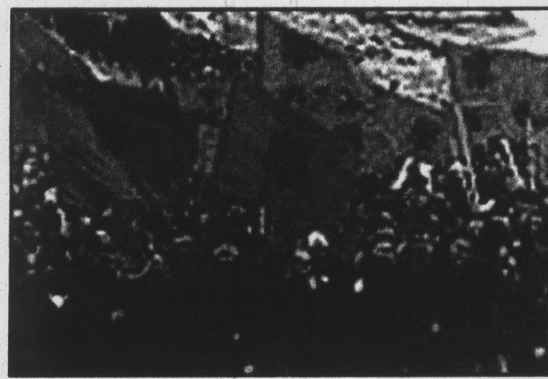
They carried banners proclaiming "No to

partition of Kosovo" and "Without Mitrovica there is no Kosovo." Others waved Albanian and American flags.

Monday's protesters called for an end to the division in Kosovska Mitrovica, where ethnic Albanians have been prevented from reaching the Serb side of town, including the hospital and the university, and Serbs have been unable to go to the post office on the southern side.

U.N. police and NATO accompanied the marchers, who have been banned from entering Kosovska Mitrovica for security reasons.

Serb officials bitterly complained about alleged acts of violence and intimidation committed by the U.S. troops. "Americans were smashing doors, destroying furniture. There was no reason for such behavior," said Oliver Ivanovic, a local



AP File Photo

Albanians protest against the ethnic diversity that has been continuing to take lives.

Serb leader.

He later said that in the future, U.S. soldiers would not be welcome in the Serb-controlled north of the city.

## China ignores US Congress warnings about trade with Taiwan

BEIJING (AP) - China today brushed aside warnings from members of the U.S. Congress that its new threats against Taiwan could undercut support for granting China permanent trade benefits.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Zhu Bangzao blamed the United States for causing the tension between China and Taiwan by supporting Taiwan with arms sales.

The Chinese government expresses "strong dissatisfaction and resolute opposition" to criticism by the U.S. State Department of Beijing's new position paper on Taiwan, Zhu added.

In Washington, Clinton administration officials and congressional leaders condemned China for adding in the new policy statement a threat to use force if Taiwan stalls on reunification talks. The statement was issued Monday as Taiwan gears up for its March 18 presidential election.

Senate Finance Committee Chairman William Roth, a Republican from Delaware,

said Wednesday that Beijing's threat of force against Taiwan as well as its human rights violations would affect the Senate's consideration of whether to grant China permanent trade benefits, a move that would ease China's entry into the World Trade Organization. A vote is expected in late spring or early summer.

Zhu said permanent trade rights for China were in the interests of both countries.

"It has nothing to do with the question of Taiwan, and we are opposed to any attempt to link the two," Zhu said. "We believe any congressman with vision will support normal trading status for China."

The Foreign Ministry spokesman also said he did not think Beijing's position on Taiwan would undermine negotiations with other countries on China's entry into the World Trade Organization.

Technical consultations with the European Union on China's bid to join the world trade rules-making body ended after four days and

had "narrowed the gap" but produced no agreement, the EU said in a statement. China needs the consent of all 135 WTO members. The EU is the most important of the 13 WTO members that have yet to sign off on China's accession.

Zhu repeated Beijing's position that Taiwan is an "integral part" of China's territory. Its eventual reunification with the mainland is China's internal affair and no country has the right to interfere, Zhu said, adding specifically that this included the United States.

Zhu accused the United States of repeatedly violating the three joint communiques that are the basis of relations between China and the United States, pointing to U.S. arms sales to Taiwan, U.S. plans to include Taiwan in a missile defense system and support in Congress for the Taiwan Security Enhancement Act.

The Taiwan bill, which was passed by the House of Representatives earlier this month,

would formalize cooperation between the U.S. and Taiwan militaries, open more slots for Taiwanese officers at U.S. military academies and require the Pentagon to produce an annual report on threats to the island. The Clinton administration opposes it and has threatened a veto.

Since China and Taiwan split amid civil war in 1949, Beijing has threatened to use force if the island seeks formal independence or if foreign powers meddle. The position paper on Monday for the first time added a threat of war if Taiwan puts off unification talks indefinitely.

"The one China policy is the prerequisite of peaceful reunification," Zhu said. "Should this prerequisite be undermined, it would damage the prospect of peaceful reunification and would violate the general interests of all Chinese, including the Taiwan compatriots. So the question of Taiwan cannot be dragged on indefinitely."

## The World In Brief

## Iran's reformists winning big in vote

TEHRAN, Iran - In a clear endorsement of moderate President Mohammad Khatami, voters rejected Iran's hard-liners, giving reformists the largest number of seats in parliament - 137 of 290 seats as of Monday. With most results known, Friday's vote likely will strengthen Khatami's hand in pushing social, cultural and political reforms. Since coming to power in 1997, the president has advocated dismantling many restrictions imposed by the 21-year-old rule of Islamic law.

## Putin: Chechen war united society, army

MOZDOK, Russia - Russian warplanes rained bombs on Chechnya's rugged southern mountains Monday, and acting President Vladimir Putin vowed to keep fighting until the last rebel had been liquidated. Putin, in remarks cited by Russian news agencies, says the war "will be brought to its logical end," with no militants left in Chechnya and the tiny

republic brought back under Moscow's control. He said that the now five-month-old war to eradicate terrorists had made "the army believe in its strength and society believe and trust in its army."

## Tehran gets a subway system

TEHRAN, Iran - President Mohammad Khatami inaugurated Tehran's first subway Monday, describing it as an "inevitable necessity" for the traffic-clogged metropolis of 11 million people. Officials hope the subway will ease Tehran's excessive pollution and gridlocks caused mainly by an estimated 2 million cars, most of them more than 20 years old. The 6-mile line, the first in the Persian Gulf, was built over 13 years and cost about \$383 million. The only other cities in the region that have subways are Cairo, Egypt, and Ankara, Turkey.

## Police probe Netanyahu about bribes

JERUSALEM - Police questioned former

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu for six hours Sunday on suspicion he accepted bribes, tried to misuse state funds and illegally kept gifts worth thousands of dollars, police said. Israel's Channel Two TV said police would recommend indicting Netanyahu on all three counts. It reported that Netanyahu's wife, Sara, would be charged with fraud and illegally keeping state gifts given to the couple during Netanyahu's term. Police spokesman Uzi Sanduri would not confirm the report.

## Fires ripped through London trains

LONDON - Twin fires ripped through two passenger trains after they collided at high speed in west London in October, police told an inquest into the 31 deaths Monday. The superintendent of the British Transport Police told the nine members of the jury that a fire broke out on the engine car of the high-speed Great Western commuter train that had been heading east into London's Paddington

Station. Fuel tanks on the smaller, westbound Thames Train also caught fire. The colliding trains "had a combined speed of 100 miles per hour," he said. The Oct. 5 collision - which also injured 244 other people - happened after the driver of the Thames train jumped a red light during the morning rush hour.

## Barak: Deal with Palestinians likely in May

JERUSALEM - Israel and the Palestinians likely will reach a framework agreement for a final peace treaty in May - three months past the original deadline, Prime Minister Ehud Barak said Sunday. Such an agreement would ultimately dismantle Jewish settlements in the Gaza Strip, a senior minister in Barak's Cabinet said, the latest sign that the government is preparing its public for uprooting settlements. The agreement was to have been reached last week, but negotiations are stalled over the location of an interim withdrawal from the West Bank.



# SPORTS

## Both swimming teams place in GLIAC top five Hoops wrap-up

By Shanna Sallmen  
STAFF WRITER

The men's and women's swim teams exit the pool with 2nd and 5th place standings after GLIAC Championships held at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan.

The championship meet was a three-day competition consisting of 20 different events. The men's team concluded with 514 points, and the women's team had 294.

Each day started off with all swimmers jumping into the pool at the sound of the beep, hoping to place in the top twelve, individually as well as relay teams, in order to be able to swim in night events for points.

"We had very high expectations on how we were going to do," Coach Klamut said. "We didn't quite meet the expectations, but everyone did very well."

Both men's and women's teams broke school records each day and also earned All-Conference Honors with every 1st or 2nd place win. The pace was set after concluding the first day.

The lady Titans 400 medley relay team, consisting of junior team captain Tara Crawford, junior Tina Proudfoot, sophomore Jaime Sell, and freshman Stefanie King broke the Westminster school record with a time of 4:05.82.

Leading off for the team, Crawford broke her old school record in the 100 backstroke with an opening split time of 1:02.48. The lady titans 200 freestyle relay, consisting of freshman Amanda Zelechowski, senior team captain Susie Kenyon, sophomore Jaime Sell and sophomore Stephanie Dawson also broke the Westminster school record with a time of 1:41.35.

The men's 400 medley relay team consisting of freshman Jim Mann, sophomore Kurt Rothoff, senior David Gesacion and sophomore Chris Giles also did well with a first place time of 3:31.16.

The second day of competition proved to be a day of individual winning races.

For the lady titans, three women broke Westminster school records with third place wins; Tara Crawford in the 100 backstroke,

1:02.08, Stefanie King in the 100 breaststroke, 1:07.26, and Amanda Olinger in the 400 individual medley, 4:46.44.

The men's team likewise excelled individually. Senior David Gesacion won first place in the 100 Butterfly :52.01 and Jim Mann also won a 1st place in the 100 Backstroke :52.55.

"The team standings were not as well as anticipated, but individual times reflected a successful season for many of us," team captain Crawford said.

The final day of competition ended the exciting three days of competing with nine women and ten men earning All-Conference Honors, in individual events as well as relay events, congratulations on a job well done.

The final meet will be held this weekend at State College. The Penn State Invitational is only for members of the team whom are close to national times. "We are focusing on the men's 200 medley relay team consisting of Mann, Rothoff, Gesacion and C. Giles, they are about one second away," Klamut said.

\*For further information concerning times see the Westminster Weekly

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

The men's basketball team started their season strong, compiling a 9-4 record to start the season but then lost the next eight of 11 games. Many players, including junior Henry Klinar, junior Chad Phillips, junior Andy Wormsley, senior Bryan Conrad and junior Shane Lanigan led the Titans.

Forward Klinar places in the GLIAC standings in many categories. He is 9th in the league in scoring with 16.9 points per game (ppg), 10th in rebounding with 6.9 a game, and 4th in offensive rebounds with 3.17.

Guard Wormsley appears in numerous categories, ranked high in the areas where he appears. He is 8th in scoring at 17.1 ppg, 5th in field throws with a .790 average, 8th in steals at 1.83pg, 14th in 3-point percentage .394, and 6th in 3-point field goals made at 2.33pg.

Forward Phillips ranks high, as well, and appears in various categories. He is 11th in scoring with 16.3ppg, 15th in rebounding at 6.3, 13th in assists at 2.73, 3rd in field throw percentage at .802, 8th in 3-point field goals made at 2.14, and 7th in defensive rebounds with 5 a game.

Point guard Lanigan stands high on the defensive end. In the GLIAC, he is 4th in assists with 4.38 a game, 5th in steals with 1.96, and 2nd in assist/turnover ratio at 2.23.

Center Conrad also appears on the list of statistical leaders, at 8th in field goal percentage at .550 and 11th in blocked shots with .92 a game.

As of Feb 20, the Titans are sixth in the southern division of the GLIAC. Out of the 14 total teams in the league, they are first in free throw percentage at .756, 6th in defensive rebounding at 34 a game, and 6th in assists with 14.96 a game. The Titans have one more game this season against GLIAC foe, Wayne State University on Saturday at 3 p.m.

### Women's Basketball

The women's team has had a rough season, winning only five games and finally capturing a victory in the GLIAC on February 21. The Lady Titans were paced by many players, including senior Becky Snyder, junior Julie Nansen, sophomores Robin Thayer and Omadee Curry, and freshmen Jennifer Petures, Samor Himes, and Teale Ganster. Ganster is the only player that appears on the list of GLIAC leaders, at 8th in offensive rebounds, with 2.74 a game.

The Lady Titans have had a few positive points to their season. First, the majority of players are freshmen, and most of the bench gets significant minutes, proving that this is a young team with leadership for future seasons in Nansen, Thayer, and Curry.

In addition, their wins against Grove City, Washington and Jefferson, Clarion, and Lock Haven prove that the Lady Titans will be a contender in Division III. The first game and win of the season against Lock Haven was an upset at their own tournament. Petures and Thayer both had 23 points in the game. Clarion was also a career night for Thayer as she posted 16 points, including a buzzer-beater three-point shot for the win. Nansen was the high scorer against Grove City, posting 22 points in the contest.

While this season was full of disappointment, the Lady Titans won their first league game last Monday in overtime against Ashland. It was another career-night for Nansen as she shot 8-13 from the three-point line and had a career-high 27 points. Thayer also scored 18 and Petures had her first double-double with 15 points and 10 rebounds. Petures and Snyder tied in assists, posting five a piece.

## Men's team nipped by rival Ashland 73-71

The Titan men's basketball team saw its record slip to 11-14 overall and 6-12 in GLIAC play in Ashland, Ohio, as the Titans were defeated by league rival Ashland University 73-71. The Eagles improved to 19-8 overall and 12-6 in the GLIAC with the win.

The first half saw the teams post nine lead changes and three ties before Ashland went into intermission with a one-point (34-33) advantage. The two squads continued to exchange the lead until midway through the second half, when the Eagles went on a 14-2 run to turn a 50-49 Titan lead into an 11-point Ashland advantage at 63-52 with 7:45 to play.

However, Westminster narrowed the gap in the closing minutes, cutting the lead to two

points at 70-68 on a three-pointer by junior swingman Andy Wormsley with 2:05 to play. The Titans then had a pair of possessions to tie or take the lead, but could not convert. Two free throws by Lamont Scott with five seconds left put Ashland up by five points (73-68) before a three-pointer by Titan senior point guard Shane Lanigan at the buzzer provided the final margin of victory.

Three Eagles scored in double digits, led by Scott with 18 points. For Westminster, Wormsley bucketed a game-high 21 points on 9-of-15 shooting from the field, while junior forward Chad Phillips posted his fourth "double-double" on the year with 20 points and a team-high 11 rebounds. Junior forward Henry Klinar added 15



Photo by Courtney Behm  
Andy Wormsley goes up for a jump shot in the Titans' loss to Ashland.

markers for the Titans in the losing effort.

Westminster will close the 1999-2000 men's basketball season at home on Saturday as the

Titans host GLIAC rival Wayne State University at Buzz Ridl Gymnasium. Tip-off is scheduled for 3 p.m.

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Photo by Courtney Behm  
Coach Jan Reddinger discusses the team's strategy.

with a winning attitude," Reddinger said. The Lady Titans were in the lead for most of the first half, until the Eagles went on an 11-

0 run to put themselves in the lead 28-24 at halftime.

"We went in the locker room knowing that this game was within our reach, we just had to fight to earn it," Samor Himes said.

In the second half, the Lady Titan's Julie Nansen came alive. The rest of Westminster's offense joined her, and they battled to keep up with Ashland. There were nine lead changes and five ties in the second half, and both teams knew it was going to be a fight until the end. With 30

seconds left in the game, Nansen hit a three point shot, but Ashland answered with a lay-up to tie it up at 59-59, sending the game into

overtime.

Westminster took complete control in overtime, never giving up their lead. Jennifer Petures had her first double double with 15 points and 10 rebounds in the win for the Lady Titans. Becky Snyder added five assists, and forward Samor Himes gave her fair share with 8 rebounds.

Shooting Guard Julie Nansen was the shining star of the game, bringing in a career-high 27 points and leading Westminster to their first conference victory.

"We needed this win, and we got it. All of our hard work came out today, and we are proud of ourselves," Himes said.

The Lady Titan's season closer will be at home on Saturday against Wayne State University at 1 p.m.



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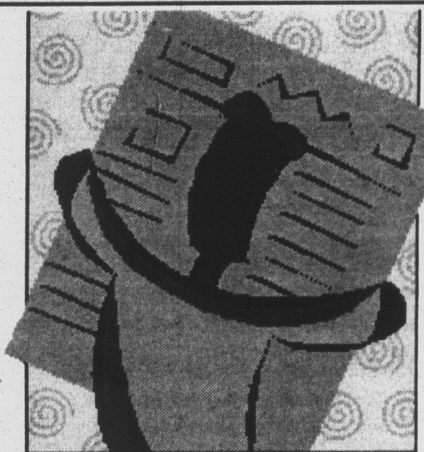
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# Ask Anything

*Down home advice  
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**Editor's Note:** After much deliberation, we have decided to incorporate an advice column into the weekly format of our newspaper. This column is meant to be taken seriously. All questions will be answered by a group of your college peers, but please note that they are not professionals. In cases that are too complex to be handled by them, professionals will be consulted.

Dear Ask Anything:

*I have a problem. I met this guy on the Internet over the summer and we became very close very quickly. We decided to meet each other in late August, so we each drove an hour and met in a Barnes and Noble coffee shop. I had seen pictures of him over the Net so I knew it was him. He was gorgeous and just as nice in person as he was over the Net. We started dating in September and everything was great. We were even thinking about moving in together. Though that thought quickly dissipated, things were still going well, until he introduced me to one of his friends at a party. His friend and I then started talking. Soon this friend was confessing his undying love for me and telling me I was the one he was supposed to be with and the one he was supposed to marry. I must admit that my feelings were wavering. Soon, my boyfriend started acting horrible to me and expecting too much out of our relationship. He wanted to be first over everything in my life. We started to continually fight. I ran to his friend for comfort. My boyfriend and I have since broken up, but he won't leave me alone. He insists that he can't go on with out me. He said that his life isn't worth going on with and neither is mine. While I don't consider him a threat, I'm still worried about him and this situation. His friend still wants to get together, but for now I am concerned that I am rushing into things since it has only been two weeks since my boyfriend (ex) and I broke up. I really like the other guy and know that he would treat me well. What should I do about my ex-boyfriend? And how long should I wait before getting involved with the other guy if at all?*

--Troubled in Love

Dear Trobled in Love:

It seems that you've gotten yourself into a little bit of a bind here. First things first: Meeting people over the Internet is not always a wise decision. You seem to have been lucky in this case. Though you had seen pictures of him and talked to him many times, he could have been masking his identity. You should always be wary of people you meet over the Internet and if you decide to meet them in person, meet in a public place and be accompanied by a friend if possible. You never know who the person you are going to meet will turn out to be. In your case, he seems to be a nice guy but obviously, he has another side.

Which brings me to the second problem you seem to have. This is the problem of an over-possessive boyfriend. His behavior seemed to be pointing in a direction that could have led to an abusive relationship. Be glad you got out. If he continues to bother you and speak suicidally, consider getting him psychological counseling. If he starts to become abusive or to continually threaten your life, then something drastic needs to be done. Get a restraining order if necessary. Even though you don't currently consider him a threat, take his words seriously. As the saying goes, it is better to be safe than sorry.

In response to your next question about whether or not to date the other guy... You have to understand your true feelings for the friend. Make sure that you are not just venerable and looking for someone. The best thing to assure that your feelings are genuine is to take your time getting involved. If this guy really loves you, he will wait and respect you wanting to make sure. This will save you both the pain of getting involved and realizing that you don't like him "that way."

Also, something to keep in mind is that some friends believe in unspoken codes of conduct that once one friend has dated a girl, the other shouldn't date her out of loyalty to their friendship. Take this into consideration before pursuing the relationship any further. Discuss this with your perspective sweetheart and decide if it is going to ruin his relationship with your ex. Breaking up their friendship might be OK to your perspective at the time, but it could put a strain on your relationship with him (perspective) in the future. If your ex and he have a falling out, their mutual friends could take sides, leaving you in the middle.

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# OPINION

## Question of the week

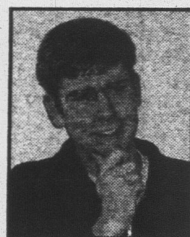
**Do you believe in miracles? Why or why not?**



**Collins Fobanjong, junior**  
"... You sexy thing. No seriously, I believe in miracles, because I'm alive."

**Katrina Kenney, junior**  
"Yes, because I believe in God and through him all things are possible."

**Christopher Nave, freshman**  
"No, but I believe in fate. Doors open and close on their own."



**Tom Pizon, freshman**  
"Who needs miracles when I'm around?"



**Nicole Findley, freshman**  
"Yes, because I believe everything happens for a reason and everyone needs a little help every once in a while."

**Kutilla Warner, freshman**  
"Yes, because of my belief in God."

**Ralph DiCicco, sophomore**  
"Yes, I believe in miracles because Aaron Stamp is a living miracle of Tony Montana."



**Julie Conoran, freshman**  
"Yes, I think I've witnessed a couple. Plus, as a premature baby I was able to eat and be healthy."



**Jamie Freund, sophomore**  
"Yes, because every once in a while you hear about people who survive terrible car accidents and bouts of cancer."

## CONTRIBUTED EDITORIAL:

**Joseph Stamper**  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

In the aftermath of the Mock Convention and in the wake of the Diversity Symposiums, the college seems to be an ideal liberal arts college. However, it doesn't take the most culture-sensitive pupil to notice the irony. To put it mildly, the campus is highly homogenized.

Westminster is a little more than 96 percent Caucasian (white) and I think, because of this figure, we can be classified as having a diversity problem. However, the greater issue in my eyes is this institution's way of dealing with diversity.

The "One Armed" policy on diversity on campus defies logic. I call it one armed because it is comparable to an one-armed embrace. On the academic end, the college not only recognizes that these factors exist and must be overcome in society, but foster programs so that the majority of the freshman year is spent studying these factors. By contrast, the president, deans and administration of this college spend much of the year side stepping the issue.

Professors, authors and experts are brought to campus to speak and provide an artificial injection of culture. This should be an insult to those soon-to-be professionals, who intend to conquer the world. If you plan on living and dying in Wilmington or Union maybe this doesn't affect you, but if you plan on living in Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Cleveland, New York or any heavily populated area you should be outraged. One can have the words of MLK's "I Have a Dream" speech coming out of every orifice, but if they never learn to interpersonally relate in a multicultural environment, they are going to start their career with a strike against them.

Our administration maintains that they are doing all they can to remedy the decrease in the minority population on campus. A year ago, I was personal assured by our president that increasing the minority population here at Westminster College was a part of his five-year plan. I returned in August to find that out of the four hundred-student freshmen class only one of them was African-American. The administration called my freshman confrontations "a pioneering experience" and apologized. When I was a little boy and I misbehaved badly I would say, "sorry" to which my mother would reply "yeah, you are sorry." "Sorry" describes the majority of the excuses given to me by the administration of the college.

Allow me to explore some avenues of alleviating the issue.

The majority of recruiting for African-Americans is done in the Youngstown-Warren area. That is logical considering there are no minority scholarships underwritten by the school and Westminster depends heavily on the Powers Trust which is based in that area. But, those African-Americans from "black" neighborhoods are the people who want to be here least.

One of our deans often proclaims that reason so many African-American's from "undeserved" neighborhoods fail to succeed at Westminster is because they aren't quality students. In actuality, the difficulty of the work is the least of that student's anxieties. The truth is, if that student had been told "you'll have a pioneering experience being one of fifteen black students," that student probably would have selected another school.

Having a student driven minority support group requires more effort than the numbers can support. De facto, the gradual increase that Westminster has failed to implement over

the past eight years will never work. Westminster needs to do one of two things. Either have a class with about 20 to 30 minorities come in, which would give existing minority organizations the manpower to function as social and academic organization, or look to recruit minority students who already live as an extreme minority in their own neighborhood.

It's not primarily the students' fault, yet, I partially fault the students. When I bring up minority issues on this campus, I am usually greeted with apathy. There is the dedicated minority of students who show genuine interest, and I commend you. But, I would estimate that nine out of 10 students just don't care.

Almost half the campus felt inclined to pay money to debate issues purely for the experience of debating. I ask all of the participants, what did you receive for your time? Extra credit? One line on your resume? Or maybe a seven-second clip on the eleven o'clock news? It is time students spent time debating a solution to the college's most prominent dilemma. When a dozen students complain the administration barely bats an eye, but if twelve hundred students complain, the administration would be more apt to listen.

I encourage all students who read this article to send an email to the Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Office and complain ([studentaff@westminster.edu](mailto:studentaff@westminster.edu)). It doesn't cost anything, and I guarantee if 500 hundred students do it someone will finally take notice.

The Administration constantly assures me they are doing the best they can. At the same time, I watch them fail miserably. Is failing the only collective thing Westminster College can do? Apparently, Yes!

## EDITORIAL CARTOON



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1922 - 2000

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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor--

The Our View section of the Holcad last week gave a very negative view of one of the greatest events I have witnessed here on Westminster's campus. In my three years at Westminster College I have never seen so many students involved in one event at a time. While I agree that the event was not taken completely seriously, I believe that the Mock Convention and the events leading up to it were a great success.

As a state chair, I found that although I had very little political background, I was able to learn a great deal from this Convention. While the nominating speeches themselves and the voting were not very diplomatic, in the events leading up to the convention, many controversial issues were brought up and discussed. Even at the Convention, while some students were uninvolved for various reasons, there were intelligent debates going on about such issues as gay rights and the environment.

I agree that there was a lot of confusion leading up to and during the convention, but what is to be expected from an event that is held every four years. In my opinion the Executive Committee, composed of students who had never participated in a Mock Convention like this before, did an outstanding job of coordinating the convention and getting the student participation.

If you expected the Mock Convention to be like a real Republican Convention, then it probably did not meet your expectations. However, this Convention did accomplish several things, it brought over half the student population together for one event, it taught everyone a little more about the political system, and most importantly it was fun, for these reasons I feel the Mock Convention of 2000 was a colossal success.

Sincerely,  
Eric Bass

Dear Editor:

It seems that some people were offended about Clint Eastwood being nominated as Vice President in this year's Mock Convention. As chair of that state that nominated Eastwood, I would like to say, "Lighten up"! In my humble opinion, the Mock Convention was not a mockery, but a huge success. It is supposed to teach students about the process of nominating a presidential candidate, which it did. Those of you who do not think the student body took the convention seriously were obviously not paying attention during the platform debate. The debates over issues such as national security, the economy and abortion were serious, spirited and well informed. As for the use of alcohol and flagrant signs, I saw very few people who were even drinking, let alone drunk. As for the signs about George Bush, what did you expect with a last name like "Bush"? God forbid that 20-year-old kids act like 20-year-old kids. Coach Scott Renninger, a pillar of integrity not only at this college but also in the community nominated Elvis Priestly as president. Was he serious? No, but he knew that everyone would get a good laugh out of it and maybe even have some fun.

In regards to Clint Eastwood being nominated as the vice presidential candidate, I would like to inform everyone that he was formerly republican mayor of Carmel, California. If R. Thomas Williamson had been nominated vice president, people would not have taken it as a joke. Clint Eastwood is a close friend of former president Ronald Reagan (also a former actor) and I would not be the least bit surprised if Eastwood would someday run for some other political office.

I recommend that everyone on this campus "chill out". Life is much better if you do not take every little thing so seriously. It was not the real Republican Convention; it was the mock convention. Mock meaning not real. John McCain may not be nominated Republican presidential candidate and Clint Eastwood probably will not get the vice presidential nomination but that does not mean we cannot have some fun while being serious at the same time.

Make my Day,

Mike Loos

Dear Editor,

As a member of the Westminster community, I would like to present an issue of inconsistency in Westminster's housing policy. To encourage unity, Westminster limits the number of students who can live off campus. This is a noble idea, but there is injustice in separation of Greeks and Independents.

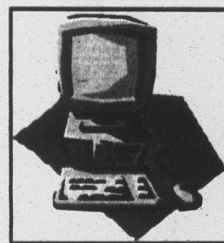
First, the number of people who can live off campus is limited, but if someone belongs to a fraternity, that person can gain off campus status easier. However, if one is an independent, one must go through off campus drawing like everyone else. A solution to this injustice is to allow different organizations to run thematic houses. For example, Habitat for Humanity could organize a house where only members of this organization could live. It already is divided into Greeks and Independents because of the housing arrangement.

Second, campus community is disjointed by restricting the rooms in Ferguson Hall to sorority members. Again, Greeks are obtaining special privileges from Westminster administration. This most decorative dorm should be open to all students.

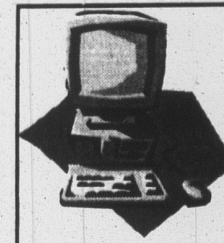
I may be naive to think that a college so rich in Greek life will actually hear my argument, but this does not mean as an Independent I should accept injustices. I am not trying to bash Greek life, as I have many friends who are in sororities and fraternities. However, I do see the living arrangements and benefits as unfair and unjust. I think this injustice should be addressed and I would like to hear any responses anyone may have on the subject.

Thanks,

Sarah Huffman



## BYTES & PCs



What is harassment? The dictionary describes the verb "to harass" as "to worry or torment or to trouble by repeated raids or attacks."

How does this affect people using computers and telecommunications resources at Westminster College?

A student logs onto a computer and enters a chat room. He participates in the chat room conversation that includes students on campus and others on the Internet. A few days later, Westminster College's Network Manager receives an e-mail complaint that this student used foul language and offended others in the chat room and charges him with harassment.

Another student, when surfing the Internet, finds a site to whose philosophy he is diametrically opposed. In fact, he hates this site and all it stands for. So he fires off an e-mail to the site, in righteous indignation, using forceful and crude language to describe his feelings and beliefs about what the site is offering. In answer to his e-mail, the owner of the site threatens to take the student and Westminster College to court because the e-mail was so offensive. She claims that her constitutional rights have been violated by this verbally abusive attack.

An upperclassman wants to impress an incoming first-year student. So he calls her room extension repeatedly, always hanging up just as the phone is answered or leaving cryptic messages in her voice mailbox. She calls the switchboard operator, complaining about this harassment. The calls are traced back to the upperclassman who is charged with harassment.

A computer lab user has a naked woman displayed on the monitor and the students on either side of him tell him they are offended by the picture. He disregards their objections and continues to display the offensive material.

Are these students guilty? Have they violated the Student Code of Conduct?

In incidents similar to the above, all charges were upheld in Westminster's judicial system. Fines and other punishments were levied.

So how do you know if you are crossing the line between acceptable behavior and harassment? The governing issue is the perception of the person who feels he or she is being victimized. If that person is made uncomfortable or feels threatened by your actions, he or she has a legitimate case against you.

Despite the fact that four-letter words are commonplace on television or in the movies, directing these words to someone, especially in writing, is unacceptable. What you might think is just a prank may feel like intrusion of privacy or an unwelcome advance at the other end.

Consider the following definite "don'ts" when you are using the college's information technology:

Don't deliberately perform an act which will seriously impact the operation of computers, terminals, peripherals or networks with the intent to deny service to other users of the resources. This includes blocking communication lines or tampering with components of a network.

Don't send mass mailings or chain letters, or create or print illegitimate network traffic, unfairly monopolizing resources and invading others' privacy and inhibiting their work.

Don't send annoying, threatening, libelous or sexually, racially, ethnically, or religiously offensive messages.

Don't display or transmit on any college-owned system (computers, telephones, or audio-visual equipment) any of the following types of information or software:

\*that which infringes upon the rights of another person

\*that which is abusive, profane, or sexually offensive

\*that which consists of information which may injure someone else and/or lead to a lawsuit or criminal charges.

A rule of thumb is to use common sense. Think before you act.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



## D. Bash

It would be nice if every movie released could be profound and deeply affecting, bestowing hoards of insight and wisdom on those willing to listen. This is far from happening of course, as most movies do neither of these things, nor do they aspire to.

*The Whole Nine Yards* is meant for nothing but entertainment, but does a good job at what it aims for, offering enough laughs to make it worth a watch and enough suspense to keep you thinking.

The plot revolves around "Oz," a dentist, living in a quiet Montreal suburb. A nervous wreck (as made apparent in the opening scenes), "Oz" has a rather miserable life, as he only tolerates his wife, and her unpleasant mother, who are only there to milk Oz of all his dental earnings. Enter Jimmy "The Tulip" Tudeski. Played by Bruce Willis, Tudeski is a convicted hit man, released from prison for rolling over on his boss. He moves in next to Oz, as easily predicted, there's trouble.

While the ensuing story could have been trite, and clichéd, it isn't. Within minutes after meeting Tudeski, Oz is involved in a cat and mouse game of murder. The plot actually succeeds nicely at creating a bit of a mystery, as the story unfolds. It is a bit sloppy at times, but all works, with plenty of surprises along the way. The laughs are also on target, at least most of the time - a combination that makes for an enjoyable watch.

*The Whole Nine Yards* works as a comedy and mystery, and at least tries to be original along the way. There may be better movies out there, but there's much, much worse, too.

## Ash

Well, what we have here is a mob comedy of the stereotypical sort.

Of course you have the mob boss, the hitman and the clueless innocent bystander who is unwittingly pulled into the whole mix, oh, and lives in Canada of course.

Is it just me or is there a pattern forming which seems to dictate that Canadians are innocent clueless people who have a strange accent and live for maple syrup?

Well, the basic plot for the story (and I mean basic, for the actual plot is quite complicated) is that Nicholas "Oz" Oseransky (Matthew Perry) is a dentist in Montreal, Canada. It is here that he lives with his "anti-christ" of a wife Sophie (Rosanna Arquette) and her mother. The two women are bleeding him dry to repay the debts of his wife's embezzling father. As if poor Oz's life isn't bad enough, a notorious mob hitman, just let out of jail, has moved in beside him - Jimmy "The Tulip" Tudeski (Bruce Willis).



Jimmy is known as "The Tulip" because he always leaves a tulip by the bodies of those whom he has killed - seventeen.

Well, the plot keeps unfolding as it seems that almost everyone has a vendetta or a reason to kill someone else. Poor, week-kneed, mousy, conscientious-objector, Oz is surrounded by mobsters and hitmen. One of the most memorable hitmen is Michael Clarke Duncan, the behemoth simple-minded black man from *The Green Mile*. This boy is badass with a silver-loop earring and a space between his teeth (which Oz tells him he can fix rather easily).

The set for the movie is alright, but not spectacular. Basically, you have scenes from Montreal and Chicago. The cinematography is average - no artsy stuff here. Just the bare necessities. Actually, some of the time it is a bit sloppy, but who cares.

The acting was good, for a movie of this genre. There are no Academy Award performances here. Matthew Perry was funny as the clumsy, running scared wuss. As well as the tough-man acting of the mobsters and hitmen such as Willis and Duncan as well as Kevin Pollak as the notorious Chicago crime boss Yanni (Yanni?) Gogolack (Gogolack?).

A redeeming feature in this movie were the performances of Natasha Henstridge (*Species*) who is Jimmy's wife, and Amanda Peet (*Isn't She Great*) as Jill who is Oz's secretary. They were but good actresses, but the most redeeming feature about their being in this movie is the fact that they are both HOT! Yes folks, that's right. Kinda makes ya go, Aieeeee! Also there is a nice gratuitous shot of Jill topless. Excellent!

The plot for the movie was decent. Most of the strings were tied up in the end. I didn't find myself asking, "why did that happen?" I'm sure there were some holes, but overall everything seemed to happen for a reason and formed a logical ending. Well, as logical as a mob comedy can be.

Overall, the movie was alright. It was funny, especially with the addition of Matthew Perry's antics. It isn't a movie in which you are unable to breathe because of the convulsions of laughter, yet at the same time it does inspire numerous chuckles. To gain an idea of what this movie is comparable to think about a mixture of such movies as *The Jerk*, *Grosse Pointe Blank*, *Analyze This* and *Mickey Blue Eyes*.

So, if you're bored and need a little nonsensical laughter in your life this will be a good movie for you. However, if you are searching for more enlightenment, award-winning acting and an introspective, thought-provoking plot I'd search somewhere else.

*The Whole Nine Yards* - Ash gives it two and seven-eighths Eat 'n' Park Smiley cookies.

## Carlos Santana sweeps the 42nd annual Grammys

Album of the Year: "Supernatural," Santana.

New Artist: Christina Aguilera.

Rap Performance by Duo or Group: "You Got Me," The Roots and Erykah Badu.

Record of the Year: "Smooth," Santana.

Song of the Year: "Smooth," Itaal Shur and Rob Thomas (Santana featuring Rob Thomas).

Female Country Vocal Performance: "Man! I Feel Like a Woman!" Shania Twain.

Female R&B Vocal Performance: "It's Not Right But It's Okay," Whitney Houston.

Male Pop Vocal Performance: "Brand New Day," Sting.

Country Album: "Fly," Dixie Chicks.

R&B Album: "Fanmail," TLC.

Female Pop Vocal Performance: "I Will Remember You," Sarah McLachlan.

Pop Performance by a Duo or Group with Vocal: "Maria Maria," Santana.

Pop Collaboration with Vocals: "Smooth," Santana featuring Rob Thomas.

Pop Instrumental Performance: "El Farol," Santana.

Dance Recording: "Believe," Cher.

Pop Album: "Brand New Day," Sting.

Traditional Pop Vocal Performance: "Bennett Sings Ellington - Hot and Cool," Tony Bennett.

Female Rock Vocal Performance: "Sweet Child o' Mine," Sheryl Crow.

Male Rock Vocal Performance: "American Woman," Lenny Kravitz.

Rock Performance by a Duo or Group with Vocal: "Put Your Lights On," Santana featuring Everlast.

Hard Rock Performance: "Whiskey in the Jar," Metallica.

Metal Performance: "Iron Man," Black Sabbath.

Rock Instrumental Performance: "The Calling," Santana featuring Eric Clapton.

Rock Song: "Scar Tissue," Flea, John Frusciante, Anthony Kiedis and Chad Smith (Red Hot Chili Peppers).

Rock Album: "Supernatural," Santana.

Alternative Music Performance: "Mutations," Beck.

Country Performance by a Duo or Group with Vocal: "Ready to Run," Dixie Chicks.

Country Song: "Come On Over," Robert John "Mutt" Lange and Shania Twain.

Spoken Comedy Album: "Bigger and Blacker," Chris Rock.

Legend Award: Elton John.

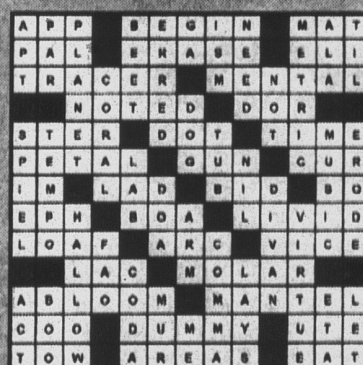
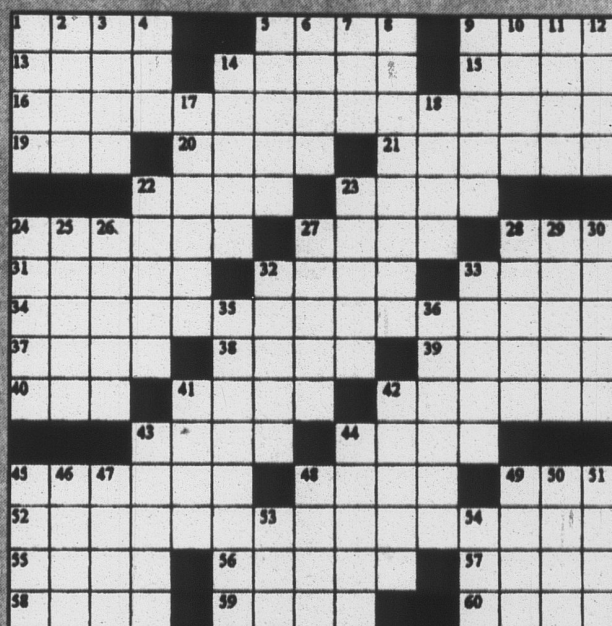


## ACROSS

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15. Buffalo's lake
16. THREE FOLLOWING HAND
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20. Baptism for one
21. Made smoother
22. New Mexico art colony
23. Put to sleep
24. Evaluate
27. Ice cream holder
28. Lackluster
31. Pine tree state
32. Miracle town
33. Conifer
34. THREE FOLLOWING HAND
37. Dwell
38. Cheers for 35 down
39. Rajah's wife
40. Vane initials
41. TV's Mr. Rogers
42. Follows woman or man
43. Expires
44. Revolvers
45. "Out of \_\_\_\_"
48. Bargain event
49. Baseball apparel
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56. Race tracks
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58. Honda or Nissan
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4. B.P.O.E. member
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6. Queen's home
7. Single
8. Private
9. Alpine capital
10. Rumanian city
11. Michael Jordan wear
12. Plant grass
14. Farewell to Pedro
17. Removes
18. Unclothed
22. Edgy
23. Dice
24. More than enough
25. Indian garments
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27. Sounded like a crow
28. Newscaster Sawyer
29. Draw a conclusion
30. Distributes
32. Nat & family
33. Posteriors
35. Bullfighter
36. Lifting devices
41. Taxing matter
42. Polynesian dances
43. Australian wild dog
44. Irritates
45. Taj Mahal city
46. Munich wife
47. Lease
48. Shoo
49. Coke for one
50. \_\_\_\_ lang syne
51. School orgs.
53. Ms. Peron
54. Energy



# HOROSCOPES

## Aries

You could be pressed to make a decision about the future of a romantic relationship that you are in. Your partner knows that the two of you were meant for each, but you may not be as certain.

## Taurus

An unexpected invitation by a business associate could have you scratching your head wondering why. Be prepared for a major surprise when an unexpected question is asked to you.

## Gemini

This week a relative comes to you asking for your help—the financial kind. If you are unsure about giving out your money let him or her know this as soon as possible.

## Cancer

A financial matter quickly cleans itself up, leaving you with more time and money than you thought. Use your good judgment to decide on how best to use this extra money.

## Leo

Obstacles could stand in your way this week, but you do not have to let them stop you from getting what you want. Your strong determination can easily overcome any problem.

## Virgo

Work could spell trouble for any social plans you may have. However, it is worth your effort to get work done as soon as possible, because you could spend a very special evening with a romantic interest.

## Libra

You and a friend have a long discussion about everything and everyone under the sun and find several differing opinions. Remember, however, as long as you believe in the person, you do not have to believe in everything he/she does.

## Scorpio

If you do not have what you truly want, make a determined effort to get it this week. Anything is possible if you put your mind to it and the stars' alignment this week helps your chances.

## Sagittarius

A new possession makes you feel so happy and proud. Do not be shy about showing it off to your friends this week, because they want to see what all the fuss is about.

## Capricorn

Do not second-guess the intentions of a close friend this week or you may risk hurting the friendship. You know that he or she has stood behind you in the past, so trust that this will continue in the future.

## Aquarius

Resolve to release all of your negative energies this week and let the good vibes roll in. Often times simply talking about your concerns will do wonders to make them disappear.

## Pisces

Focus on your health this week and what you can do to improve it. Start eating healthier foods and do some exercise to get the blood flowing through your body.

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## FRIDAY 25

Last Day to Pay \$50 Housing Deposit at Business Office (window closes at 3:30 p.m.)  
 Jubilee 2000 (CCO Conference) - Pittsburgh Hilton  
 Diversity Symposium Block I Ends  
 11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel  
 8:00 p.m. Wind and Chamber Ensemble Concert - Orr Auditorium  
 8:00 p.m. Servant of Two Masters - Beeghly Theater  
 6:00 p.m. Mardi Gras Games, etc. - Orr Auditorium  
 8:00 p.m. Mardi Gras Bands: Gattaca, Major Healy, The Clarks - Orr Auditorium

## SATURDAY 26

Jubilee 2000 (CCO Conference) - Pittsburgh Hilton  
 9:00 a.m. Men's and Women's Nittany Lion Invitational Swimming Championships @ Penn State  
 11:00 a.m. Alpha Phi Omega Story Hour - McGill Children's Library  
 1:00 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Wayne State (H)  
 3:00 p.m. Men's Basketball vs. Wayne State (H)  
 7:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel  
 8:00 p.m. Servant of Two Masters - Beeghly Theater  
 TBA GLIAC Indoor Track and Field Championships @ Allendale, MI

## SUNDAY 27

Jubilee 2000 (CCO Conference) - Pittsburgh Hilton  
 3:00 p.m. Admissions Spring Fling Reception - Sheraton Station Square, Pittsburgh  
 3:00 p.m. Composition Recital: Tony Casale - Chapel  
 6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting @ Chapter House  
 7:00 p.m. Vespers - Chapel  
 9:00 p.m. "The Sopranos" - Down Under  
 10:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

## MONDAY 28

Last Day for a 60% Refund  
 Phi Mu Unity Week  
 11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel  
 4:20 p.m. Diversity Symposium: Opal Palmer Adisa, poet and storyteller, speaking on multicultural diversity  
 4:30 p.m. Math/Computer Science Colloquium - HSC 166  
 5:30 p.m. Panhellenic Meeting - TUB A/B  
 5:30 p.m. Phi Kappa Tau Meeting - HSC 152

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program wanting to make a difference," O'Neil said. "It's someone who enters the program as a leader of change and wants a voice in the school system. (However), not everyone at Westminster is a good fit for Chicago Public Schools and (CPS) are not a good place for every Westminster student."

Currently, the CPS is looking to fill 1500 to 1800 positions in their 591 schools consisting of 431,000 students, 80 percent which come from low income families. Nobel strongly encouraged interviewing.

"Many students are apprehensive about coming to the [inner city] because they don't know what to expect," Nobel said. "Our schools are safe places. It's good to come and interview because once you get there and the kids are around you, you realize they are just like any other kids."

Nobel assured the group on Wednesday that if the perspective teacher doesn't feel comfortable in the school, then the process begins again and a better suited school is sought. Nobel and O'Neil stressed the fact that the Chicago public school system is a diverse area. There are inner city schools with "at-risk" kids, but there are also schools that are very suburban in nature. There are also the magnet schools, schools that specialize in certain studies like language or math and science, where students are accepted by application or lottery only.

After they have brought the teachers into the CPS, they offer a formalized program that pairs the new teacher with a mentor to help ease the transition into the new school. Also offered are 30 hours of training along with a variety of other activities including learning technologies that incorporate computers into the classroom.

Nobel states they are encouraging principals to act more proactively and recruit students early for upcoming vacancies.

"Usually the suburb schools get the first (pick) because they will sign contracts of intent which then gives the students a feeling of safety," Nobel said. "We are encouraging our principals to take this approach so we can get the best teachers."

CPS offers a starting salary of \$32,000 plus pension pick-up from the CPS, which increases the salary by approximately \$2000. The pay program spans over 10 months with a 12-month option in which the salary is stretched over the entire year. They also offer benefits such as health care and dental.

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6:00 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall  
 6:15 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112-113  
 6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - TUB A/B  
 6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116  
 6:30 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311-312  
 8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230  
 8:00 p.m. Praise Jam - Chapel  
 9:00 p.m. Career Center's WestPACS Job Fair Orientation - TUB A/B  
 9:15 p.m. Lambda Sigma Meeting - TBA

## TUESDAY 29

11:00 a.m. All-Campus Meeting - Beeghly Theater  
 4:30 p.m. Career Center Resume Workshop - TUB A/B  
 5:10 - 5:40 p.m. Designed Single Room Drawing (Men) - TUB Lounge  
 5:45 - 6:20 p.m. Designed Single Room Drawing (Women) - TUB Lounge  
 5:30 p.m. ALLIES meeting - PH 114  
 6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting - TUB A/B  
 7:00 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal - Chapel

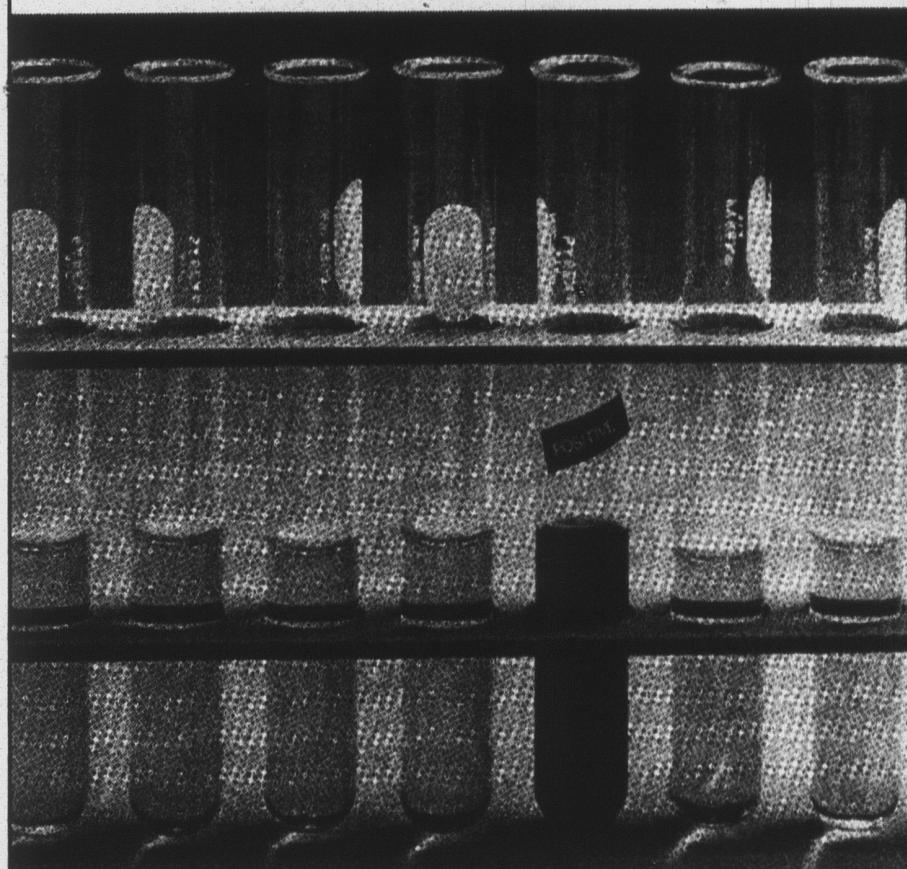
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Men's and Women's Racquetball Intramurals  
 11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum: Betsy Ford, "Up From the Tower, Down From the Clay: Disobedient Children in Golem and Rapunzel" - TUB A/B  
 6:30 p.m. Career Center Resume Workshop - TUB A/B  
 7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
 8:00 p.m. Jazz Ensemble Concert - TUB Lounge  
 8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B  
 8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
 9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - Down Under  
 TBA Men's Basketball GLIAC Tournament

## THURSDAY 2

All-Day Event Geology Field Trip - Carnegie Museum, Pittsburgh  
 Westminster Fund Spring Term Phonathon Ends  
 TBA Women's Basketball GLIAC Tournament  
 6:30 p.m. Career Center Job Search Seminar - TUB A/B  
 7:00 p.m. IFC Meeting - TUB A/B  
 9:30 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal - Chapel

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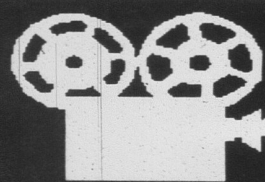
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## New Orleans comes to Westminster



Photo by Courtney Behm  
Mardi Gras festivities provided fun for the entire family including this girl who had her mask painted on for the evening's festivities.

By Heather Frost  
STAFF WRITER

Westminster experienced a little bit of New Orleans last Friday. The college held its 3rd annual Mardi Gras celebration with help from the Student Alumni Association, Campus Programming Committee and SGA.

Festivities kicked off with a new addition to our Mardi Gras celebration - fireworks. The fireworks began at 7:00 p.m. by Brittain Lake.

"The fireworks were amazing. I was really impressed. I felt like it was the 4th of July!" senior Amber Brkich said.

The carnival began at 6:00 p.m. with a variety of booths, mask decorating and the Mardi Gras royalty. Various campus organizations and clubs participated in Mardi Gras by setting up booths.

Booths included ping-pong for fish, guessing jars and games for children of the New Wilmington community that attended Mardi Gras. Alpha Gamma Delta took pictures and sold them to the students and community that attended.

The music began at 8 p.m. with Gattica, which is comprised of three Westminster students.

"The sound was great. A lot of people showed up so it was a very good crowd. I do think, however, that there should have been more publicity for Mardi Gras," band member Derrick Bash said.

Major Healy, a rock band from New York opened for The Clarks.

"All the bands were good. Gattica was my favorite, because I know people in the band," senior Don Kelley said. "I am tired of The Clarks. We should not have the same headline band three years in a row."

Many students agree that Mardi Gras was a success.

"Mardi Gras is a great opportunity for both the college students and the community. I saw a lot of our professors there with their children," junior Nicole Zeller said. "I had a lot of fun. This was my first Mardi Gras, and my friends and I enjoyed everything. I liked the fireworks the best of all," freshman Ashley Tonks said.

## Etiquette Dinner teaches table manners

By Adriann Popovich  
STAFF WRITER

This year's Etiquette Dinner received the best turn out in the history of the event.

Nearly two hundred students attended the dinner last Thursday, where they learned proper business etiquette, including how to conduct themselves in different business social settings such as interviews.

This is the fourth year the event has been operating, and according to Jackie Meade, director of the career center, it is something all students should attend.

"It is very beneficial for students to have this business social etiquette information to be comfortable in the work place," Meade said.

Meade, the career center staff and SGA coordinated the event. The dinner, held in Russell dining hall consisted of a mock cocktail reception in which the etiquette expert, Ellen Allston, instructed attendees to mingle and get to know people they were not already familiar with.

Allston, a member of the class of 1985, is currently a personal manager at ANSOFT Corporation. She has been in the business professional industry for many years and knows what businesses look for in potential employees.

Once the students had a chance to socialize, the crowd slowly moved into the dining area to begin dinner. After a brief introduction by Meade, Allston took a portable microphone and began to walk among tables

informing students of the proper way to butter dinner rolls and use utensils.

Once the salad plates were cleared, dinner was served and Allston proceeded to explain to attendees the importance of mealtime interviews. She gave tips about what is appropriate to order and how to handle different types of questions interviewers might ask.

After dinner, a style show was presented, featuring students as models. Business fashions from Hagger, Kasper, Liz

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Katie Brentzel, Alyssa Detore and Marianne Davis discuss etiquette with Ellen Allston.

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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Hearst Foundation donates \$100,000 scholarship

By Jon McKay  
STAFF WRITER

The number of ways to get help paying for college recently increased. A grant from the William Randolph Hearst Foundation of New York has established a scholarship fund to help disadvantaged students from rural counties attend Westminster.

The \$100,000 grant will gather interest, and part of the yield will be available for scholarships beginning with the 2001-2002 school year. The other portion will be kept aside, allowing the endowment's principal to grow and keep pace with inflation over time.

"We hope to be able to offer four students scholarships from this fund for that school year," said Doug Swartz, dean of admissions

and enrollment management. "We may have more than four deserving of it, but we will have to look closely and narrow it down."

Of the four scholarships, two will go to traditional students, and two will go to students in the Lifelong Learning Program.

"Part of the idea behind the grant is to help adults in this area return to college," said M. Thomas Taylor, development officer. "Both traditional and non-traditional students will benefit from this. Our goal is to help those with high financial need."

Unlike many scholarships, there is no application or interview.

"We will identify the students. There is no application procedure," Swartz said. "This is going to be an unexpected bonus to make it

easier for disadvantaged students to attend Westminster."

In order to be a recipient of a scholarship, a student must be acceptable to Westminster. Once a student receives a scholarship, he or she must maintain a B average while making progress toward a degree, maintain good campus citizenship, and intend to live in the United States following their studies.

This is the first time Westminster has received a grant from the Hearst Foundation.

"They are really difficult to get," said Taylor, who was instrumental in bringing the grant to the campus. "It took a long time and a lot of work, but it was very rewarding to learn that we would be receiving one."

Taylor submitted a proposal for a grant to the Foundation several years ago. The

Foundation answered that they were unable to help at that time, but to check back at a later date. During the fall semester of this school year, the Foundation requested information about the college. After receiving it, they sent a team to campus. The team interviewed students and attended classes. Shortly after the visit, it was decided that Westminster would receive the grant.

Publisher and philanthropist William Randolph Hearst founded the Foundation in 1945. Since its founding, the Foundation has approved thousands of grants, including hundreds to colleges all across the country. The majority of grants given by the Foundation aid the poverty level and minority groups, often in coordination with secondary and higher education.

## Lady Pest Ma Rheres stands guard over Hoyt library

By Sara Bosich  
STAFF WRITER

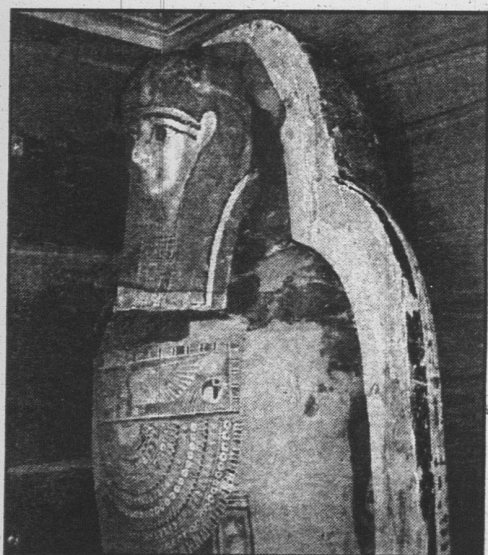


Photo by Heidi Krieger  
Lady Pest Ma Rheres was brought to the college in 1885.

So you've seen it right? The mummy...in the Science Library?

Oh it's there. It's been around awhile too. Her name is Lady Pest Ma Rheres, and Dr. J.R. Alexander brought her to the college in 1885. Granted, few of us were around then, but Dr. Alexander is an associate of the mummy's true donor, Egyptian missionary and Westminster College graduate of 1871, Dr. Giffen.

She was found in Akhim, a city in Upper Egypt approximately 300 miles south of Cairo. She was transported by boat to NYC and by train to New Wilmington. She is one of only three mummies brought to the US in the 19th century.

Once she arrived on campus, her case was opened for the first time. She was disinfected for two weeks and her face wrappings were removed. She was displayed for some time in Thompson Science Hall, and then moved to the basement of McGill Library.

In the 1980s, a Westminster student named Susan Grandey Grath, a future consultant of Egyptology, became interested in the mummy and conspired with Alpha Phi Omega to raise funds to restore Lady Pest Ma Rheres.

Alpha Phi Omega managed to raise \$4000 to buy the mummy a new airtight case and pay for restorations, after which the mummy was moved to Mack Science Library in Hoyt.

According to the Encyclopedia Smithsonian, Egyptians practiced methods of treating a dead body, known as mummification. Mummification is a special process of removing all moisture from the body, leaving a dry body not easily decayed. Their religion required they retain a dead body in a life-like manner.

The process took 70 days and involved many people, rituals and prayers. The priests also needed to be familiar with the human anatomy. The first step was to remove all internal organs that may rot rapidly. Only the heart was left in place because they believed it to be the center of a person's being and intelligence. All of the organs were preserved in

separate boxes.

Next, all moisture was removed from the body by using natron, a type of salt with great drying properties. Sunken areas were then filled with materials and fake eyes were added.

Finally, the wrapping would begin. Each person required hundreds of yards of linen. In some stages, warm resin was used to coat the body, and then wrapping would resume.

Lady Pest Ma Rheres was mummified between the ages of 11-14 and was never married. She is 4'11", likely an average height for a grown adult in those days. Rheres was the daughter of a priest, Neshor and Lady Urt. She lived sometime during the Ptolemaic-Romanic Period, BC 300-20.

The hieroglyphic translation on her tomb reads: "The words of Osiris, Lord of the West, Great God, Master of Abydos, of Ptah Sotear, Osiris, Lord of Rusta; and the words of Isis, the Great Mother Goddess: 'We protect the Osirian (i.e., the deceased), Pest Ma Rheres, daughter of the Priest of Khem, Neshor, and of the Lady Urt.'"

## Wide variety of plans made for Spring Break

By Rebecca Galbraith  
STAFF WRITER

Spring break is upon us, and many students will be traveling to different places.

"I am very excited about spring break," said Carrie Weitzel. "It will be great to go skiing and spend time with my friends."

The ski club is sponsoring a trip to Snowshoe, West Virginia. The trip will last four days, beginning Saturday and going until Mar. 9th. The trip costs around \$200, which includes lift tickets and lodging. The resort has many fun events ranging from live bands to contests on the slopes.

"I love to ski and it will be great to be able to spend a week relaxing with my friends," said Allison Seigle.

The ski club is not the only school organization sponsoring a spring break trip. Titan Traverse will be sponsoring a canoeing trip to

Georgia. The cost is \$350 per person. During the course of the week, the students will be canoeing to Okefenokee Swamp and around Cumberland Island. The students on the trip will also be wilderness camping for the entire week.

Along with the trips sponsored by school organizations, many students have also planned their own trips.

"I am so excited to be going to Hawaii," said Kathy Barone. "I have never been there before, and I plan on having a great time."

"Spring break is going to be great," said Linda Sestric. "I am going to California with my boyfriend."

Although not all students will be going away for spring, most are still excited to be going home and relaxing.

"I am looking forward to be going home and seeing friends that I have not seen in a while and to spend time with my family," sophomore Kristin Crowls said.

## Sig Kap students honored

By Joseph Ruck  
STAFF WRITER

The Westminster chapter of Sigma Kappa Sorority earned the highest cumulative grade point average of all the chapters of the national sorority for the 1999 Spring Term.

Boasting a 3.379 GPA, the sorority not only topped the nearly 100 Sigma Kappa chapters nationwide, but it also took the top rank on campus, beating all fraternities, sororities and independents.

"We are really excited," Sigma Kappa President Kelly Smith said. "Our sorority is really big on scholarship."

The news was announced in Sigma Kappa's national newsletter earlier this semester.

During the 2000 fall semester, the sisters earned an even more astonishing cumulative

3.411 GPA, which is higher than their national best of the previous spring. It is not known yet where the chapter stands among the others in the country.

The sisters must attend study hours if they have earned lower than a 3.0 GPA the previous semester.

"We are hoping to be recognized more often on the national level," Scholarship chair Katie Scott said. "The big chapters usually get all the attention. We want to change that and always be at the top of the academic list."

Westminster's Alpha Sigma chapter of Sigma Kappa received its charter in 1926, and has held a high academic standard. The sorority requires a 2.5 GPA, whereas most other sororities and fraternities on campus require a 2.0 GPA.





# Public relations department founds PRSSA chapter

By EJ Campbell  
STAFF WRITER

Deborah Mitchell and Suzanne Prestien, professors of public relations, announced that the public relations program is beginning a chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America.

The announcement was made during a meeting for public relations majors held on Feb. 22. Professors and students are excited about the acceptance into the professional society.

"Personally, the biggest thing is that somebody at the national level said you are accredited and recognized who we are, what we are all about, and the kind of students we are turn-

ing out. We are finally being recognized," Mitchell said.

"Even though we (seniors) can only be a member for a few months, it will still give us experience in the group...plus the benefits after graduation are so great," senior Melissa Whiley said.

Prestien agreed. "I'm excited about the networking opportunities. I think there's an awful lot of possibilities for contacts through the conferences and seminars."

President Thomas Williamson is also elated about the new chapter.

"I am delighted to hear about the acceptance of the public relations program into the PRSSA. Westminster has a large number of very successful professionals in the field of public relations, and this will assure that that

continues for a long time to come," Williamson said.

According to the PRSSA website, "The Public Relations Student Society of America has more than 6,000 members in 209 chapters on college campuses across the country."

Professor of Public Relations and English James Perkins believes that Westminster will be one of the largest chapters in America. "We are one of the few schools in America that has a free standing public relations program," He said.

During the meeting, the public relations students elected officers for the new chapter. Junior Nicole Zeller was elected president and junior Katie Brentzel was elected vice president.

"I'm surprised and flattered. I think this is really exciting, and I'm proud to be a part of it," Zeller said.

The public relations program attempted to join the PRSSA previously but was turned down because it lacked writing and media relations courses. The program has since adapted the curriculum.

"We are essentially the poster child for the PRSSA. We have the program that they say they won't live long enough to see," Perkins said.

Before ending the meeting, Mitchell had some advice for the students.

"My advice is simple. You are going to get out of this what you put into it. I want to have the best chapter for you," Mitchell said.

# NACA conference displays possible events for campus

By Laura Stanley  
STAFF WRITER

The room was dark and filled to capacity. Inside sat 2000 students, waiting in anticipation for the curtain to rise and the show to start. NACA 2000 was about to begin.

Each year, the National Association for Campus Activities holds a convention, which allows performers and student programming committees from around the country to meet in one place and conduct business with each other. Student representatives were allowed to watch and listen to a variety of acts, and had the opportunity to bring the performers to their schools.

"It was interesting to meet people from different schools across the nation and get ideas on what they do," Assistant Manager of the Down Under Matt McMurray said.

This year the convention was held in Boston, Massachusetts from Feb. 16th to the 20th. Over 600 schools were represented at the convention. Thirteen delegates, including Assistant Dean of Student Affairs Camille Hawthorne, represented Westminster.

The group flew out of Pittsburgh early on Wednesday morning, and returned Sunday afternoon. They stayed at the Marriott Hotel in downtown Boston.

Hawthorne has attended NACA conferences since 1979, and has only missed one.

"The conventions can be very, very tiring.

But because you're so busy, you almost forget you have to stop and eat," Hawthorne said.

Although the trip was costly, Hawthorne feels the money was well spent.

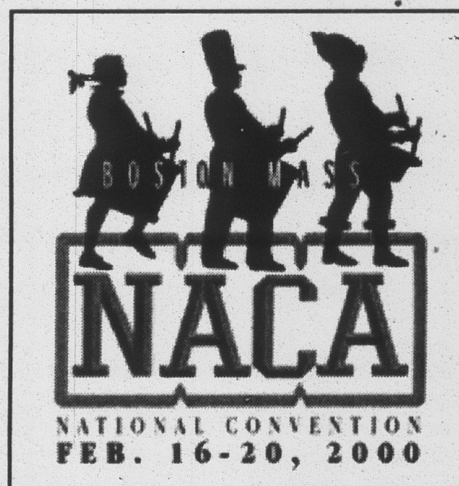
"With so many people going to NACA, we get more feedback about the type of entertainment we see. The information and excitement we bring back to campus. Conveying that excitement is worth the investment," Hawthorne said.

Other performances seen at NACA 2000 included ventriloquists, jazz bands, hard rock bands, magicians, comedians and many more. Exhibits were set up at booths in a large room, called a marketplace. Agents and representatives handed out information to interested student parties about an entertainer.

Fun, free activities were also provided as a sample of business services. Some examples include wax hands, face painting, balloon animals, and small petting zoos.

Schools represented at the convention were broken up into national regions.

Westminster is located in the Great Lakes region, along with New York, West Virginia, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, and the rest of Pennsylvania. Regional schools try to book the same events for a common block of time. This process, known as co-op, can help save money.



CPC chair Dana Glunt was Westminster's co-op buyer.

"Co-op was harder this semester. Last semester during the regional conference, people were more aggressive about getting acts, and we were able to create more blocks. A lot of people weren't booking this year, but it was a still

fun," Glunt said.

Each year NACA rewards an act or performer for being exceptional in his/her field. This year, Barry Drake and Craig Karges received such honors. Drake, who gives lectures on rock-n-roll history, received an award for Lecturer of the Year. Drake has performed at Westminster on numerous occasions since

1994 and will return in the fall.

Karges is an entertainer and mentalist. He performed early last semester at Westminster, and has performed on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno. He received an award for Entertainer of the Year.

Wax 'n More received the Novelty Special Event award. Wax 'n More will run the wax hands booth this year at Lil' Sibs weekend. Agency of the Year was Joey Edmunds. Joey Edmunds represents Frank Caliendo, who has also performed at Westminster College.

Performers who have moved beyond NACA were also recognized at the convention. Movie screen star Jay Mohr was inducted into the NACA Hall of Fame. Mohr has performed on television, and has starred in movies such as Picture Perfect, Jerry Maguire, Mafia! and many more. Mohr was the showcase master of ceremonies during the convention.

Anthony Clark was also inducted into the NACA Hall of Fame. Clark starred on the hit TV show Boston Commons. He performed opening night of NACA 2000.

Pop band Blessid Union performed as well.

Next year's NACA conference will meet in Nashville, Tennessee. For more information about NACA or upcoming CPC events, contact the CPC office at EXT. 7057, or Camille Hawthorne at EXT. 7112.

# Cultural knowledge shared through game of Jeopardy!

By Chrissy DiCicco  
STAFF WRITER

"Relationships for five-hundred, please?" Answer: The culture in which a couple usually participates in two wedding ceremonies. Question: What is the French culture?

Did "Jeopardy" hit Westminster? Well, sort of. The Diversity Symposium sponsored its own version of the game show and a discussion of cultural encounters last Thursday in the Down Under.

Although Alex Trebek did not make an appearance, a panel of international students along with students who have studied abroad shared their impressions of France, Germany, Haiti, Ireland and Spain.

"It is always interesting to learn how international guests view our culture and how we as American's view outside cultures," panelist Kristi Gilbert said.

The panel included: Stephany Apollon, senior political science major from Port-au-Prince, Haiti; Scott Campbell, senior international business and German major; Loren Ganoe, senior international business and French major and Kristi Gilbert, senior international politics and Spanish major. Andre O'Connell, a student from Ireland and Anja Henneberger, graduate assistant faculty member from East Germany rounded out the discussion.

The event began with the audience/panelist game, which challenged members to match the culture or tradition with the appropriate country. The game then expanded into a discussion of various cultural situations. The workshop highlighted the perspectives and perceptions of the panelists' own culture as well as the culture they "temporarily" call home.

Kristin Park, professor of Sociology, and Neal Edman, dean of student affairs, orga-

nized the event.

"I think that the international students and [Westminster] students studying abroad represent a somewhat untapped source of diversity here at Westminster," Park said. "That is, they represent diversity through the cultural backgrounds and exposure that they have, but we haven't always appreciated that and learned from it."

"The similarities, contrasts and unique experiences of each student is quite fascinating," Edman said. "Much of what we know about international cultures is from the media. For students, it is difficult to understand what a culture is like through the stories of a forty-year old reporter, for example. Discussions like this allow students to get a greater perspective from people their own age. We quickly realize that life is not as two-dimensional as we think."

Some of the topics included higher education in Germany compared to the United

States; stereotypes about alcohol held by young people in Ireland and the United States; racism toward Arabs in France; class inequality in Haiti and the slower pace of life in Spain.

"I thought the symposium was a great success," said senior Amber Brkich. "I thought it was especially interesting to hear Andre and Anja discuss their views of Germany and America, since one is German and the other is American."

The Westminster College Diversity Symposium is designed to help students and communities acquire a knowledge and appreciation of differences among people, human cultures and the natural world.

The next symposium is planned for 7 p.m. March 15th in Russell Dining Hall. Irma Acosa de Fortin will present "Political and Economic Systems: Oppression of the Poor."



## FEATURE

# Focus on Feet: Taking care of what we stand on

## How we treat our feet can prevent foot and back problems from occurring



Photo by Courtney Behm

Though our feet hold the weight of our bodies all day long, few take time to flatter our feet.

By Laura Stanley  
STAFF WRITER

In a world full of gadgets and gizmos, beepers and fax machines, people seldom realize the importance of feet.

This is a trend that needs to stop, for the sake of our soles. In an average lifetime, a person can walk 100,000 miles. That's a lot of wear and tear on a pair of feet, which is why it's so important to take good care of your tootsies.

According to *Reader's Digest Great Healthy Hints and Handy Tips*, feet should be washed daily in warm, soapy water, and dried thoroughly. A moisturizer should be applied

as well, and a foot powder if necessary. Feet should be given a monthly pedicure, and toenails should be cut straight across. Cutting them at an angle may cause ingrown toenails. Keep your feet warm, and get plenty of exercise to help improve your circulation. Of course, always make sure to wear comfortable shoes.

According to the *Feet for Life* webpage, buying the right shoes may prove imperative to the health of your feet.

Children need to be watched for proper footcare. Because the 26 bones in human feet don't harden until age 18, kids need to wear good shoes that fit. If not, adult foot problems may occur later on in life.

If your feet tend to swell, the *Feet for Life* webpage advises you to shop in the afternoon when feet are at their largest. Try to shop at stores with a trained staff and a large selection of styles, sizes and fittings. No two feet are the same size, so it's important to buy a size that fits your largest foot in length and width.

"So many people come in and say their feet are swollen and they need a wider shoe," Westminster senior and Payless shoe store employee Tammy Remaley said.

The heel of a shoe supports a large propor-

tion of a person's weight. It needs to have a broad base, and should be no taller than 4 cm. Women should avoid wearing dress shoes taller than 2 inches. According to *Reader's Digest*, rubber heeled shoes are better because they will absorb shock better than leather or synthetic materials.

If you are a woman who prefers heels to anything else, try wearing them for only three hours at a time. An elevated heel places more pressure on the balls of feet, and can cause bunions, corns and problems with the back, hips and knees. Alternate days you wear heels with days you wear flats.

Judy Daugherty is a nurse at Dr. Drespling's office in New Castle. She said wearing heels over a period of many years can result in bunions and not being able to put the heel of the foot down completely. In-grown nails can occur sooner, between 2-4 months.

"There are so many different things with the foot," Daugherty said.

The sole of a shoe should be flat and slope upwards under the toes, according to the *Feet for Life* webpage. It should also be strong and flexible, with a good gripping surface.

The upper, or top covering of a shoe, should be made of a natural material, such as leather. The inside lining of the shoe should be smooth and seamless.

When trying a pair on, be sure that you can wiggle all your toes, and that the heel fits snugly. Try to pick out a shoe that has laces, straps, or buckles, and avoid slip-on shoes. These stay on your feet because they are either too small, or you have to curl up your toes to make them stay.

Feet are always growing, so it's important to re-measure them periodically. A good indication of whether a shoe will fit or not is to cut a traced outline of your foot, and compare it to

the sole of the shoe. If the outline is bigger than the shoe, it is obviously too small.

Different activities may require specialized shoes. According to the *Feet for Life* webpage, sports players need shoes that are protective, durable, and appropriate for the sport they play. Runners need a shoe with adequate cushioning in the midsole, and a broad heel for stability.

According to the September 1999 issue of *Health*, good socks are needed for all types of activities. Walkers and runners should look for socks with extra cushion in the sole. Tennis players and aerobic dancers need a sock with more padding at the ball of the foot.

Footwear can also be an important part of your profession. In a normal working day, people can walk 15 miles with ease. If your occupation forces you onto your feet most of the day, you may need a shoe with thick, flexible soles that fit well. Employees of heavy industry should wear safety shoes if they are provided.

*Feet for Life* advise never to wear the same pair of shoes two days in a row. Sweat trapped in a shoe takes 24 hours to evaporate. If damp shoes are continually worn, it is a breeding ground for smelly feet and fungal infections.

"I will take better care of my feet now that I know how important they are to me. You only have one pair of feet," sophomore Rachel Stroupe said.

Podiatrists, or foot doctors, can be found in the yellow pages under "Physician." If you are experiencing foot problems, contact Dr. Drespling's office at (724) 658-5201, or stop by the school's health center. For more information about foot care, visit *Feet for Life* at [www.feetforelife.org](http://www.feetforelife.org), or *Foot Care Direct* at [www.footcaredirect.com](http://www.footcaredirect.com).

## Isaly's now offers a VIP Gold card to regular customers

By Lindsey Braem  
STAFF WRITER

Some complain about the cramped living conditions. Others think that the workload is the worst thing about college life. Still, there are the ones that admit that they cannot stand the food.

It is costly to constantly try to find an alternative to the cafeteria or TUB, but luckily an inexpensive option is just around the corner from Westminster College.

Isaly's, the mom and pop diner located on 147 Market St., just a block from Prima's, now offers the VIP Gold Card to all of its regular customers. After 10 purchases of \$5.00 or more, the holder is entitled to \$5.00 off his next meal.

Isaly's owner Rusty Smith introduced this card in the attempt to entice more of the Westminster College campus community members.

Smith likes that over the past years he has seen more students coming to Isaly's. He is very appreciative for their business and hopes this will continue to grow.

Isaly's menu features a full selection of breakfast, lunch and dinners.

The breakfast menu has all of the usual items including eggs, pancakes and bagels.

The lunch and dinner portions include the popular chicken finger basket, the Titan burger and sub, Philly Steak and Rueben sandwich.

Smith is no stranger to the restaurant business. "I have been working for 15 years in food service whether it was selling, preparing, or eating it!"

Smith was working for Marriott in Washington D.C. for 8 years until he made the decision to come up north.

He worked for Perkins for 2 years before working as a sales representative for a food distributor.

Smith became interested in Isaly's because his wife's cousin owns one in Lionsville. When he decided to go into ownership of restaurants, Isaly's was an obvious choice.

Now, almost 2 years later, he is happy with his decision.

"It is a love-hate relationship...the restaurant business, that is. But I have found it very rewarding," Smith said.

Isaly's only seats 50 people but it is productive. Smith said that he does not need many employees working at one time either.

"I have been really pleased with everything, especially my employees. I employ both college students and the town people, and I have found it to be a good mix."

His employees seem to enjoy Isaly's just as much as Smith does.

Junior Jenn Moberg began working at Isaly's in the beginning of this year. "The food is very good. It's almost like Mom is there cooking for you!"

Sophomore Heidi Krieger agrees with Moberg. "The atmosphere is probably the best part. With the good service and inexpensive meals, it is an ideal place for college students."

Isaly's has a very long and rich history. In 1833, when Swiss immigrant cheesemaker, Christian Isaly came from Europe to Monroe County in Ohio, he brought his most precious possession with him - his copper cheese kettle.

The tradition grew from cheese making to dairy farming, and soon the generations of Isaly's family members began bottling milk for home delivery via horse-drawn carts.



Isaly's many regular customers like Mark will benefit from the new VIP card.

Finally, the family formed Isaly's Dairy Companies and sold farm-fresh dairy products like ice cream through retail stores in Ohio and Western Pennsylvania.

The number of Isaly's has decreased in number over the recent years with New Wilmington's being one of the few restaurants still in operation.



# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Pittsburgh community startled by shooting that leaves two dead

By Jere Longman  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

A gunman who set his apartment on fire and went on a lunchtime shooting spree at two fast-food restaurants was taken into custody today after two people were killed and three were critically wounded in this suburb of Pittsburgh, the police said.

The man, identified as Ronald Taylor, 39, gave up after holding police off for about two and a half hours in an office building. Mr. Taylor, who was arraigned tonight, was charged with two counts of criminal homicide, a charge including various degrees of murder and manslaughter.

Mayor Wilbert Young and police officials said they were investigating whether the shootings with a .22-caliber handgun had been racially motivated. Mr. Taylor is black, while all five shot were white males, the police said.

The killings followed by one day the shooting death of a first grader by a 6-year-old gunman in Mount Morris Township, Mich., leading President Clinton to urge Congress again to pass stricter gun-control legislation. Mr. Clinton said the violent incidents "call on us to recognize the fact that we haven't done everything we can do to keep these guns away from criminals and children."

Today's incident in this faded working-class suburb of 25,000 began about 11:15 a.m., when the police received a call that a person had been shot and had been taken to a hospital. Officers were given the address of the shooting and arrived to find Mr. Taylor's fifth-floor apartment on fire, the Wilkesburg police chief, Gerald Brewer, said.

Within minutes, there were more calls saying that someone had been shot at a nearby Burger King and three more people had

been shot at a McDonald's, Chief Brewer said.

The dead were identified as John Kroll, 55, of Cabot, Pa., and Joseph Healy, 71, of Wilkesburg. One of the wounded, Richard Clinger, was shot while sitting in his van at McDonald's, witnesses said. Mr. Healy was a former chaplain at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, said a stepson, Jim Alles. Mr. Kroll was a maintenance worker at the apartment building.

A maintenance worker at the apartment building were quoted by The Associated Press as saying Mr. Taylor had become angry that the broken door to his apartment had not been repaired quickly enough. "He said, 'You're all white trash, racist pigs,'" the worker, John DeWitt, The AP said.

Chief Brewer said the police were also investigating a report that Mr. Taylor had walked into a woman's home after he left his apartment, telling her, "I'm dead anyway, I just need to hide a couple of minutes," and also saying, "I'm just out to shoot white people."

Lt. Robert Tuite of the Wilkesburg police said that he and two officers spotted Mr. Taylor walking along a street and that he turned and fired two shots, then went into an office building. Mr. Taylor entered a doctor's office and briefly held two nurses and an office worker hostage, Lieutenant Tuite said. Mr. Taylor then stepped out of the office and the door closed behind him, allowing the women to escape. One of the three,

Joyce Ambrose, told WTAE in Pittsburgh that the gunman had said, "I have one bullet left, which of the three should I use it on?"

Mr. Taylor also entered a center for the elderly where there were patients in wheelchairs, Lieutenant Tuite said, adding that he entered the building and saw Mr. Taylor sitting in the hallway, about 40 feet away, with

the handgun in his mouth. Mr. Taylor later pointed the gun at his head, and talked about killing himself, the lieutenant said.

"You don't want to do that, relax, we'll get through this," Lieutenant Tuite said he told Mr. Taylor.

Mr. Taylor pointed his gun at the officers several times but they did not fire, the lieutenant said, adding that the officers felt they had him isolated and that they had sufficient cover behind a cement wall.

Lieutenant Tuite said that he spoke to Mr. Taylor for about 15 minutes and that Mr. Taylor had asked for a cigarette, adding that when the man was asked if he needed a light, he replied that he had a lighter and had used it to set his apartment on fire.

A SWAT team and a negotiator were called in from Pittsburgh and about 125 people, including 37 children from a day-care center, were evacuated from the office building, other police officials said.

Sgt. John Fischer of the Pittsburgh police department, who negotiated with Taylor, told reporters: "His mood went from anger to confusion, distraught, fear and remorse. He bantered back and forth between killing himself and surrendering."

While Wilkesburg had previously experienced problems, in the last three years, gang activity and violent crime had been significantly reduced, Chief Brewer said, going on to say his department's records showed no prior arrests.

Mayor Young sounded a similar note tonight, saying: "We are sad and shocked over this. We're totally surprised."



AP File Photo

About 125 people, including 37 children from a day care center, were evacuated Wednesday after a gunman shot five people.

### Gangs cease fire

By Erik Siemers  
TRIBUNE-REVIEW

A cease-fire between warring East End gangs has held for 2 1/2 months, increasing the confidence of treaty organizers that the peace will last.

"This is the first time in years I haven't lost two or three kids in a month," said Inshira Jihada, a specialist with the East End Youth Outreach Program who helped negotiate the truce.

On Dec. 13, representatives of gangs in Homewood, Lincoln and Larimer announced a verbal agreement to end the bloodshed.

Pittsburgh police Chief Robert W. McNeilly Jr. said last year that gang activity in these areas was a factor in the city's swelling homicide rate.

Since the cease-fire, though, only one homicide has been reported in the East End, according to police Cmdr. Ronald Freeman.

Byron Christopher Johnson, 21, was shot to death Dec. 17 as he drove through the 7500 block of Susquehanna Street in Homewood.

Within minutes of that shooting, Jihada and Yusuf Baskin, another specialist from the East End Youth Outreach Program, received calls from gang members saying Johnson's death had nothing to do with them or the truce.

Freeman said it's too early to tell whether the East End truce is the reason the killings have dropped off.

One key to the truce is the gang members' willingness to reform, Baskin said.

At least 30 of the men, many from rival gangs, are learning job skills through a two-month training program with the Urban Gang Peace Council, Baskin said.

"We took them from gang banging to business training," Baskin said.

During the first phase of the program, the men - mostly from lower Lincoln, upper Lincoln, Homewood and Hilltop - are learning skills such as proper work attire and grooming, the importance of handshakes and interviewing techniques, Baskin said.

Since many of the men have a criminal history, they're learning how to answer questions in a job interview about their past.

In the second phase of training, they prepare for specific jobs, Baskin said.

"We prepare some for banks, we prepare some to run programs in their community," Baskin said.

## The Region in Brief

### Man arrested on drug charges

A Mt. Pleasant Township man was arrested Saturday in Donegal Township on charges he sold a kilogram of cocaine to an undercover police officer. Police said Jeffrey C. Myers, 39, of 122 State St., Mt. Pleasant, was arrested without incident shortly after 6 p.m. Saturday when he delivered the cocaine to a state trooper at a location near the intersection of routes 31 and 711. Police said Myers had agreed to sell the cocaine for \$37,000. Myers was arraigned at Westmoreland County Night Court, charged with multiple violations of the controlled substance, drug, device and cosmetic act, including possession, intent to deliver and delivery of a controlled substance. Myers was jailed in Westmoreland County Prison in lieu of \$110,000 bail. Myers also was charged with selling an ounce of cocaine for \$1,600 to an undercover officer on Feb. 20. Police said the investigation is continuing, with additional arrests pending.

### Just Ducky to learn safety guidelines

Representatives of Pittsburgh-based Just Ducky Tours Inc. will attend a meeting today and Tuesday with the U.S. Coast Guard in Washington, D.C., to learn about new safety guidelines for their amphibious tour boats. The National Transportation Safety Board recommended last week that backup flotation devices be installed in the "duck" boats to prevent the kind of rapid flooding that caused a boat to sink last spring in Arkansas. Just Ducky, which conducts tour cruises along Pittsburgh's rivers and streets from Station Square, is ready to follow any guidelines the government sets, said a company spokeswoman. "Anything that would need to be implemented would be of relatively little expense and easy to install," Kim Flaherty said. "There's plenty of time to get everything in place before the beginning of Just Ducky's season in April." The company has two refurbished amphibious military vehicles, known as ducks because of their ability to run on land and in water. Nationwide there are more than

250 such boats in service. NTSB Chairman Jim Hall said operators should install watertight bulkheads, buoyant materials inside the hull or flotation attachments outside of the boat. Flaherty said Pittsburgh's ducks were already equipped with high water alarms and other features not found on the Miss Majestic, which sank in a matter of minutes May 1 on Arkansas' Lake Hamilton. Thirteen passengers drowned.

### Upper St. Clair Teachers to vote on contract proposal

Teachers who have not had a contract since starting school last fall will vote today on a proposal reached in negotiations Feb. 17. Neither the Upper St. Clair school board nor union negotiator Walter Michalski would discuss the terms of the contract. The 250 teachers are represented by the Upper St. Clair Education Association. The board is also set to vote on the contract today. Teachers in two nearby districts, Bethel Park and Peters Township, also have been working without contracts.



## NATIONAL

## Six-year-old first grader shoots and kills six-year-old classmate

MOUNT MORRIS TOWNSHIP, Mich. - The 6-year-old boy who fatally shot a fellow first-grader lived in a "flop house" and used a stolen handgun he found in a bedroom there, the prosecutor said Wednesday.

"It's our understanding, from the police investigation, that this gun was obtained from a bedroom under some blankets which had been left lying, apparently loaded, in this bedroom," Genesee County Prosecutor Arthur A. Busch said.

Kayla Rolland, also 6, died a half-hour after she was shot in the chest at Buell Elementary School on Tuesday morning. Busch has said there may have been "some sort of scuffle or quarrel on the playground" between the two a day earlier in which one child slapped the other.

The boy didn't seem to understand the gravity of the shooting, Police Chief Eric King said. After being interviewed, the boy "sat there drawing pictures," the chief said.

Police Tuesday night arrested the boy's uncle, Sirmarcus B. Winfrey, on an outstanding felony warrant and planned to question him in connection with a stolen 12-gauge shotgun found at his house during a search after the school shooting, Busch said. He said police also found other evidence, including drugs, at the house.

The boy and his brother had been staying for about two weeks with Winfrey, their mother's brother, after the mother had been evicted from her home, Busch said Wednesday.

Police were seeking a person who investigators believe had the gun before the first-grader brought it to school and turned it on his young classmate. The Flint Journal reported today that police issued a bulletin requesting officers to stop and hold for questioning a Mount Morris Township man, 19, believed to be a roommate of the boy's uncle.

Though Michigan law allows for adult prosecution of young offenders, the prosecutor says he thinks charges against the boy are unlikely.

"You have to be old enough to form criminal intent to commit the crime of murder," Busch said Tuesday night. "The common law of our country says that a child under the age of 7 is not criminally responsible - cannot be convicted of a felony."

But Busch said he hopes to know by Thursday whether someone could face charges for enabling the boy to get the gun, which officials said had been reported stolen in December.

"This boy comes from a very troubled home," he said on NBC's Today show. "He is really a victim of a drug culture and a house that's really in chaos."

"His actions were naughty, in his mind-set," Busch said of the boy. "What he understood he did is another matter."

Classes were canceled today at Buell Elementary School in Mount Morris Township, a suburb of about 25,000 outside Flint about 60 miles northwest of Detroit.

Sheila Alger and her son, Austin, 4, dropped off a teddy bear at the school's front door, which has become a makeshift memorial of candles, flowers and cards in envelopes.

"(Austin) doesn't understand, and I don't think other kids do. I don't think the boy who did it understands."

"I said, 'Do you want to give her your teddy bear? She's up in heaven, but she can see it.'"

Counselors were expected to be on hand today for anyone seeking help. Flowers and stuffed animals were left at the school's front door, along with a sign reading: "We (love) our children and we care for their safety."

In the latest of a string of school shootings

across the country - involving the youngest shooter - authorities say the 6-year-old boy pulled a .32 caliber gun from his pants Tuesday morning, pointed it at another boy, then aimed at Kayla. She was struck in the chest and died a half-hour later.

Busch said there may have been "some sort of scuffle or quarrel on the playground" between the two a day earlier in which one slapped the other.

King said the boy would be put in the custody of the state Family Independence Agency, which looks out for children's welfare in Michigan.

Busch said he expected that the agency would file a petition concerning the boy's placement, "which could include anything from supervised placement with the mother to placement with a relative like now," perhaps even a foster home.

The boy's father, who is serving time in the county jail, told the county sheriff that his son had been suspended from school for fighting and other behavioral problems, the Journal reported.

Genesee County Sheriff Robert J. Pickell said he spoke with the father late Tuesday night. The father, 29, has been in jail since Feb. 20 for an alleged parole violation stemming from a burglary case, Pickell said.

When he heard about the shooting at Buell Elementary School, the man said he had a feeling his child was involved.

"He said a sickening feeling came over him ... because he knew his son and knew the type of problems he'd been having," Pickell said.



AP File Photo

Flowers were left outside the school doors where a first-grader shot and killed a six-year-old girl.

The child had been in trouble at school for poking another child with a pencil and for fighting, the father said. When he asked his son about the incidents, the child said, "I hate them."

Busch said on ABC's Good Morning America that the boy is "a victim of the drug culture and he's a victim of the gun culture in this country, and that's not to take away from what's happened."

Busch told NBC "there were people coming and going from this house." When police went to the house "there were several people just hanging out," he said. "I call it a flop-house."

At the time of the shooting, most of the 22 students in the class had filed into the hallway to head to the library and just five students remained, Busch said. The teacher was standing in the doorway when the boy fired the only bullet in the gun, the prosecutor said.

## The Nation In Brief

## Officers in Diallo case face review

ALBANY, N.Y. - The four police officers cleared of murdering Amadou Diallo still face a departmental review that could keep them from ever returning to the streets. Kenneth Boss, Sean Carroll, Edward McMellon and Richard Murphy remain on modified duty, meaning they are assigned to desk jobs and their badges and guns have been taken away. They face possible federal civil rights charges as well as the departmental review. It could be months before Police Commissioner Howard Safir considers restoring the officers to full duty or pursuing disciplinary action that could include dismissal. Meanwhile, Kadiatou Diallo, says justice hasn't been served in her son's case and that the family is planning a civil suit. Diallo was killed Feb. 4, 1999, after being hit by 19 of 41 bullets fired by officers who said they thought he was armed and dangerous. The officers were acquitted Friday.

## N.J. court upholds three-strikes law

TRENTON, N.J. - The state Supreme Court on Monday unanimously upheld New Jersey's three-strikes law, which mandates life sentences for those convicted three times of certain violent crimes. The ruling stems from an appeal by Gregory "Red" Oliver, 46, who claims the 1995 law is unconstitutional

because it treats robbers the same as murderers. Oliver was sentenced in 1996 to life in prison after his third armed robbery conviction, in which he fractured a man's skull with a lead pipe. Murder, aggravated manslaughter, kidnapping and rape are among the offenses included under the law.

## New charges filed against 'Sammy the Bull'

PHOENIX - Former Mafia hitman Salvatore "Sammy the Bull" Gravano, arrested last week for allegedly masterminding a statewide drug ring, was charged Monday with racketeering, conspiracy and money laundering. Attorney General Janet Napolitano filed a new complaint, charging Gravano, three family members and 42 others with a total of 181 counts. They had all initially been arrested on a single count of conspiracy to distribute a dangerous drug. Four of the charges are felonies carrying maximum 12 1/2-year prison sentences - if the suspect has no prior convictions. Gravano, the confessed killer of 19 whose testimony helped put New York crime boss John Gotti behind bars, was arrested Thursday. He is being held on a \$5 million cash bond.

## Gas prices on the rise again

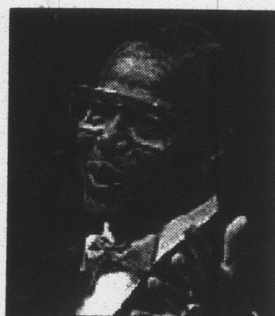
LOS ANGELES - Gasoline rose 6 cents per gallon at the pump in the past two weeks, surpassing the all-time peak recorded in

November 1990, industry analyst Trilby Lundberg said Sunday. High crude oil prices and strong demand combined to drive up the national average price, including all grades and taxes, to \$1.47 as of Friday.

That was an increase of 6.08 cents from Feb. 11, according to the Lundberg Survey of 10,000 stations nationwide. Before now, the highest average price for a gallon of gasoline in the U.S. was \$1.46 in 1990, Lundberg said.

## Farrakhan seeks Islamic unity

CHICAGO - Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan on Sunday reaffirmed his pledge to reconcile his breakaway movement with orthodox U.S. Muslims, a move aimed at healing one of America's most contentious religious rivalries. Farrakhan used the occasion of the Nation's most important annual gathering, Saviours' Day, to embrace W. D. e e n Mohammed,

AP File Photo  
Louis Farrakhan

the leader of the orthodox Muslim American Society and the son of the late Elijah Muhammad. Before Sunday's rally, W. Deen Mohammed had made clear what orthodox Muslims nationwide expected: a different Farrakhan. And Farrakhan spoke directly to the expectation. "Has Farrakhan abandoned us? Has Farrakhan changed?" he asked the audience of more than 20,000. "Yeah, I have," Farrakhan said.

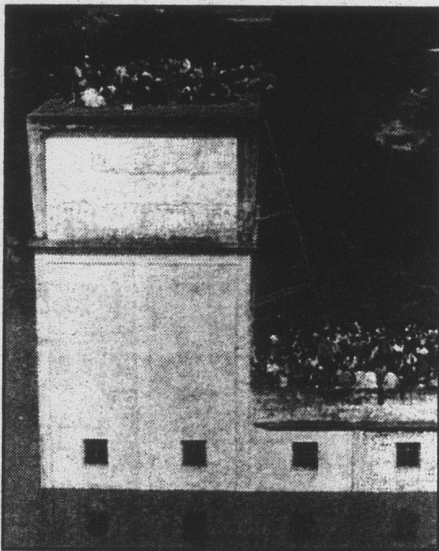
## Internet gambling industry growing

LOS ANGELES - Two years ago, Beverly Richard got hooked. The slots were just a click of the mouse away on her home computer. In December, she realized she had a serious problem: She was \$13,000 in debt. Now recovering from addiction and debts, Richard, 53, is just one of millions of people who have ventured onto gambling over the Internet. The trend has caught the attention of lawmakers who worry about a new generation of addicts and gambling's accessibility to minors. The number of online casinos has mushroomed from 15 in 1996 to more than 700 today, according to industry research. Analysts say law enforcement agencies would have their hands full trying to implement a Prohibition-style ban. Like other Internet crimes, analysts say online gambling will be difficult to track.



## INTERNATIONAL

## Flooding in Mozambique forces over 1500 people to evacuate



AP File Photo  
Groups of people escape the flooding while waiting to be rescued.

SAVE RIVER VALLEY, Mozambique - Helicopters moved more than 1,500 people to safety Sunday as swollen rivers swept away almost everything in their paths in Mozambique.

Many more people gripped to whatever high ground they could find as waters continued to rise in the Save and Limpopo rivers. They have been stranded for a week and desperately need food.

Groups of people huddled on tiny patches of land stretched out their arms to plead for help from one of only two rescue helicopters in the Save area. A lone man on the roof of a straw hut pointed his fingers to his mouth and rubbed his stomach.

Officials refused to speculate how many people already have been swept away in the vast area along the banks of the Save (pronounced sah-VEY) in central Mozambique.

"There's massive destruction along the Save River. It's taking everything in its path. Homes, villages. There are people stranded in trees and on homes.

A lot of people are getting killed," said David Schaad, a World Food Program spokesman.

UNICEF's Ian Macleod estimated between 5,000 and 10,000 people were stranded in the area. About 3,000 more were marooned in southern Mozambique after the Limpopo River burst its banks.

The known death toll in Mozambique and neighbors South Africa and Zimbabwe reached 200 from flooding in the last week. Police said Sunday that at least 33 people died and 20 were missing after a bus was swept off a flooded bridge two days earlier in northeastern Zimbabwe. Twenty passengers had survived.

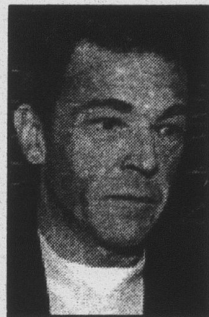


AP File Photo  
A girl waits to be rescued from the flooding waters.

## The World In Brief

## Haider resigns as Freedom Party chief

VIENNA, Austria - Right-wing leader Joerg Haider, criticized for anti-foreigner statements and past praise of aspects of the



AP File Photo  
Joerg Haider

Nazi era - resigned as head of the Freedom Party Monday, an apparent bid to end Austria's ostracism that followed his rise to power. Haider, 50, made the announcement at a closed-door meeting of his party's national leadership at a hotel in downtown Vienna. "I want to avoid our ministers having to face the claim that they must

refer every decision to the 'shadow chancellor in Carinthia,'" Haider told reporters. "The Freedom Party ministers are not puppets." Haider remains governor of Carinthia province and insisted that his decision does not mean he is retiring from national politics. Haider will be succeeded as party chief by his trusted lieutenant, Vice Chancellor Susanne Riess-Passer, 39. She told reporters she had not wanted Haider to step aside, but she said she respects his decision.

## U.S. may seek expelled Cuban testimony

WASHINGTON - Expelled Cuban diplomat Jose Imperatori may be asked to return to the United States to testify in the case of a U.S. immigration officer arrested this month on charges he spied for Cuba, the State Department said Monday. Imperatori, a consular officer at the Cuban mission in Washington, was deported Saturday night after he ignored a State Department demand that he leave voluntarily. He was accused of engaging in activities "inconsistent with his

diplomatic status" by maintaining contacts with Miami-based Immigration and Naturalization Service official Mariano Faget, a Cuban-born 34-year INS veteran. A Cuban government statement said Imperatori is seeking permission to stay in Canada "for the time needed to find an honorable solution to the problem."

## Israel 'morally obliged' to release diary

JERUSALEM - Israel is morally obliged to release the memoirs of Nazi war criminal Adolf Eichmann to help defeat a lawsuit challenging the scope of the Holocaust, Israel's attorney general said Monday. The 1,300 pages Eichmann penned in an Israeli prison are already on their way to the attorney for American professor Deborah Lipstadt, who is being sued for libel after writing that a British historian denied the Nazi genocide.



AP File Photo  
Adolf Eichmann

The manuscript also will be released to the public for the first time Tuesday. The memoirs have been kept in state archives for nearly 40 years, and reportedly Eichmann writes that the mass killing of Jews was the worst crime in human history. The diary was written during 1961-62, after Israeli agents captured Eichmann and brought him to trial in Israel. He was executed by hanging in 1962.

## Albright mentioned as Czech candidate

WASHINGTON - Secretary of State Madeleine Albright is downplaying speculation that she might run for the presidency of her native Czech Republic. State Department spokesman James Rubin says Albright is

"certainly flattered" by suggestions from current Czech President Vaclav Havel and others that she run. But Albright "has dismissed it," Rubin says. The secretary, a former professor, has not publicly discussed her plans after the Clinton administration ends next year.

## Mad cow disease detected in Denmark

COPENHAGEN, Denmark - A case of mad cow disease has been reported in northern Denmark, the government said Monday. The 4-year-old cow was immediately slaughtered while the rest of the 70-head milk herd is under observation. The case marks the first time an animal born and bred in Denmark has been diagnosed with mad cow. An infected animal was found in 1992 in Denmark, but it was imported from Britain. Meanwhile, officials in France said Monday they have detected their eighth case of mad cow disease this year.

## 20 people reported killed in Algeria

ALGIERS, Algeria - An armed and unnamed group massacred 20 shepherds and their families early Monday, security forces have reported. The latest killings are among the worst violence reported against civilians since the Jan. 13 expiration of a deadline for Muslim rebels to surrender in exchange for partial amnesty - a key element of the president's peace plan. More than 100,000 people have been killed since the insurgency started after the army canceled legislative elections in 1992.

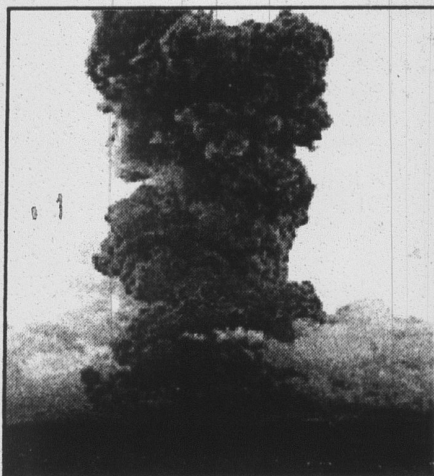
## Adams urges government reinstatement

BELFAST, Northern Ireland - Britain has no reason to continue the suspension of Northern Ireland's Protestant-Catholic administration, Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams said Monday as political leaders renewed their search for a way out of the impasse. At a meeting with the British government's senior

official in the province, Northern Ireland Secretary Peter Mandelson, Adams urged Britain to immediately restore powers to the 12-member Cabinet, which includes two members of the Irish Republican Army-allied Sinn Fein party.

## Philippine volcano erupts anew

LEGAZPI, Philippines - Belching a column of ash and molten rock four miles high, Mayon Volcano erupted again Monday, sending scores of nearby residents running for their lives. There were no immediate reports of casualties after the explosion, which experts said was the most powerful since Mayon began erupting on Thursday. The initial explosion Monday was followed by lightning, continuous rumble and clouds of volcanic ash that travel up to 50 mph and incinerate anything in their path, said a scientist for the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology. More than 47,000 people were evacuated from villages, but some have returned in recent days despite warnings.



AP File Photo  
Mayon volcano began erupting on Monday in the Philippines.



# SPORTS

## Three swimmers travel to Nationals Swim wrapup

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR



Photo by Meghan Duda  
Dave Gesacion, Stefanie King and Jim Mann will travel to the NCAA Division II Nationals.

By Alyssa Detore  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan swimmers tripled their number of participants for this year's NCAA Division II Nationals, and are sending the first female athlete in any sport to compete over spring break.

Senior David Gesacion and freshmen Stefanie King and Jim Mann will be attending the four-day competition held in Buffalo, NY.

"I'm very excited that three swimmers will be going to nationals," coach Rob Klamut said. "All three students have been training

very hard and swam well during championships."

This event will be set up similar to the GLIAC Championships that were held at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan. There will be four days of intense swimming that will determine who will become All-American swimmers. Each morning all the competitors will swim in their individual events, but only sixteen will qualify to return at night. Preliminaries will be held the final night, and the top sixteen swimmers at the end of the four days will be considered All-American athletes.

"The swimmers are looking forward to reaching the goals they set for themselves and turning in their fastest times at nationals," Klamut said.

Gesacion, who was the first male athlete to qualify for nationals last year, will be swimming the 100 and 500 freestyle, and the 100 and 200 butterfly.

"I think this competition will be a lot more fun because I won't be by myself, I'll be with my teammates," Gesacion said. "There will be a lot more team support."

Freshman Jim Mann will either be swimming the 50 freestyle or the 200 individual

medley, the 100 and 200 backstroke, and the 100 butterfly.

Stefanie King will be competing in the 50 and 200 freestyle, and the 100 and 200 breaststroke.

"I'm so thrilled to make nationals and I'm so happy that I did it during the season," King said. "It took so much pressure off the other meets. Now my main goal is to improve my personal best times and place in the top sixteen at nationals."

King will be swimming near her home town of Jamestown, NY in a familiar pool that she has swam in numerous times.

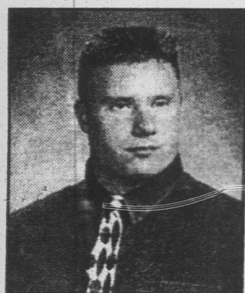
"I think it will help lower my nerves because I'll be in a familiar place with my family and friends to support me," King said.

"I was so happy when Stephanie came to Westminster," Klamut said. "When I was recruiting Steph we were still looking for the first woman qualifier, and I mentioned that it would be in her hometown if she made it. I was so ecstatic when she qualified."

In addition to King, both Gesacion and Mann are familiar with the pool used for nationals.

"All three swimmers have been to the pool, but it is still hard not to be overwhelmed at an event like this, especially for the freshmen," Klamut said. "We are going to try to downsize the competition as much as possible to make the swimmers feel comfortable and relaxed."

## Eagles sign former alum



Contributed Photo  
Eric Stocz

Former Westminister College football standout Eric Stocz has signed a two-year contract with the Philadelphia Eagles of the National Football League (NFL).

Stocz, a 6-4, 285 lb. tight end, played for the Titans from 1993-95 and was a 1996 graduate. A two-year starter, he caught 10 career passes for 120 yards and two touchdowns while serving primarily as a blocking tight end at Westminister. He was a member of the 1994 NAIA Division II National Championship team at the College.

Stocz was originally signed as an undrafted free agent by the NFL's Houston Oilers in 1996. He later signed with the practice squad of the NFL's Detroit Lions. After spending the 1996 season on the Lions' practice squad, he spent the 1997 season on the Lions' active roster and played in 13 games, becoming the first Westminister alumnus to play in an NFL regular season game in over 30 years. In 1998, Stocz spent the season on the Lions' injured reserve squad with an ACL knee injury. He signed with the NFL's Buffalo Bills prior to the 1999 season, but was released in training camp.

## Men's team ends season

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

The men's basketball team closed the 1999-2000 season on February 26 with a 79-77 loss to GLIAC rival Wayne State University. The game marked the final contest for the Titan men's basketball team in the NCAA Division II GLIAC, as the Titans will compete in the NCAA Division III Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) in 2000-01. The Titans finished with a record of 11-15 overall and 6-13 in GLIAC play for the second consecutive season. Wayne State, which has qualified for next week's GLIAC Tournament, is now 18-11 overall and 12-7 in the GLIAC.

The Titans jumped out to a 9-2 lead to start the game, but the Warriors took the lead at 12-11 with 15:43 to go in the first half and held it the rest of the period, going into half-time up 44-38. The team came back to briefly take the lead on three occasions in the second half, the latest being at 73-72 with 3:10 to play. Trailing 79-77 with six seconds to play, Titan junior forward Henry Klinar intentionally missed the second of two free throws. Senior center Bryan Conrad hauled in the offensive rebound, but was unable to connect on the potential game-tying jumper from 12 feet away.

Adam Jones led WSU with team-high totals of 16 points and seven rebounds. For the Titans, junior swingman Andy Wormsley bucketed a game-high 25 points on 8-of-16 shooting from the field, including four three-pointers. Wormsley will enter his

senior season with 982 career points, just 18 points shy of becoming the 29th player in the history of the program to score 1,000 career points. Chad Phillips added 19 points for the Titans, while Klinar and Conrad posted 11 and 10 points, respectively.

The game was also a chance to honor the seniors for the Titans. Point guard Shane Lanigan ended the season with a team-high 117 assists, averaged 7.2 points a game, and had a team-high of 54 steals. Lanigan also started all 26 games for the Titans. Conrad was honored as well on senior night. For the season, he averaged 7.6 points a game, had 147 total rebounds, led the team with blocked shots with 23, and also started all 26 games. Another member of the Titans' honored on senior night was team manager Mike Pizon, who served the team for four years as the manager.

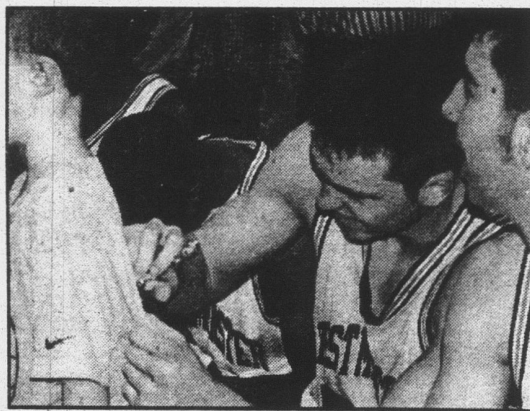


Photo by Courtney Behm  
Junior Henry Klinar signs a fan's shirt with freshman Andy Pazul looking on.

The Titan swimming teams completed another regular season, sending three individuals to the Nationals and ranking high in the GLIAC and in the nation. During the regular season, the teams lost only once, both to Ashland University.

The men's swimming teams finished in second place at GLIAC Swimming Championships, held at Wayne State University in Detroit. The Titan men finished with 514 points at the event, trailing league champion Ashland (550). The men were paced by senior Dave Gesacion, who captured the 200 butterfly in 1:55.98, while freshman Jim Mann set a new school record while capturing the 200 backstroke in 1:54.93. The women were paced by freshman Stefanie King, who placed third in the 200 breaststroke in 2:26.87.

The team has 17 swimmers who earned 33 All-Conference laurels at the GLIAC Championships. Leading the way was Gesacion with six All-Conference honors. Gesacion placed first in the 100 and 200 butterfly events and was a member of the winning 200 and 400 medley relay teams, while also finishing second as a member of the 400 and 800 freestyle relay teams. The Lady Titans had one multiple-event All-Conference honoree in sophomore Jaime Sell, who swam for the second-place Lady Titan 400 medley and 800 freestyle relay teams.

Other multiple-event All-Conference honorees for the Titan men included Mann with four awards (first in the 100 & 200 backstroke; 1st in the 200 & 400 medley relay); freshman Seth Bontrager with three awards (second in the 200 and 400 individual medley and in the 200 butterfly); and sophomores Kurt Rothoff, Chris Giles, Brian Lytle and freshman Richard King with two awards each. Both Rothoff and Giles swam for the Titans' winning 200 and 400 medley relay teams, while Lytle and King both swam for the Titans' second-place 400 and 800 freestyle relay teams.

Earning All-Conference honors in single events for the Titans was senior Scott Campbell, who placed second in the 100 breaststroke; sophomore Eric Mojock, who finished second in the 100 backstroke; and sophomore Aaron Francis, who placed second with the Titan 800 freestyle relay team.

Earning All-Conference honors in single events for the Lady Titans were juniors Tara Crawford and Tina Proudfoot and freshman Stefanie King on the second-place 400 medley relay team. In addition, sophomores Karen Faulhaber and Stephanie Dawson and freshman Amanda Olinger earned All-Conference laurels as members of the Lady Titans' second-place team in the 800 freestyle relay.

The men's and women's swimming teams are each among the top 20 teams in the nation in NCAA Division II, in the latest rankings released last week. The Titan men dropped eight spots to #16 this week, while the Lady Titan swim team broke into the NCAA Division II Top 20 team rankings for the first time in school history at #19 nationally. In individual rankings, Gesacion is among the national leaders in four events: fifth in the 200 butterfly (1:53.61), eighth in the 50 freestyle (21.15), ninth in the 500 freestyle (4:36.39) and 12th in the 100 butterfly (:50.96). Also for the Titans, Mann currently ranks 12th in the 100 backstroke (:52.08) and 19th in the 200 backstroke (1:54.93). On the women's side, King ranks 11th in the 200 breaststroke (2:25.74) and 12th in the 100 breaststroke (1:07.26) nationally.



# Lady Titans end at 5-21



Photo by Courtney Behm  
Senior Becky Snyder prepares to shoot a foul shot the Titans' last game of the season.

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

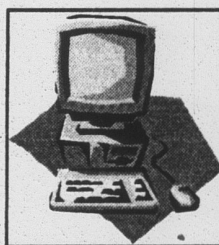
The Lady Titan basketball team closed the 1999-2000 season on February 26 at home, as the Titans dropped a 63-53 decision to GLIAC rival Wayne State University. The Lady Titans closed the season 5-21 overall and 1-18 in GLIAC play, while WSU improved to 13-13 overall and 9-10 in the GLIAC. The game marked the final contest for the Lady Titan basketball program as a member of the NCAA Division II GLIAC

Conference. Westminster will join the NCAA Division III Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) in the 2000-01 season. "We started playing a lot better at the end of the season and showed everyone that we can play with the Division II teams," stated junior Julie Nansen.

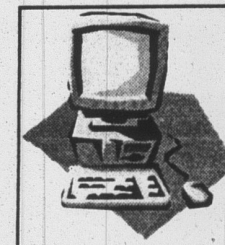
Wayne State led by as many as 10 points at 25-15 with 1:56 to play in the first half, but the Titans closed the period with a 7-0 run to cut the lead to 25-22 heading into intermission. The Lady Titans would get no closer, however, as Wayne State led by at least four points the entire second half.

Shauntel Manning led four WSU double-digit scorers with a game-high 17 points. For the Titans, sophomore guard Robin Thayer bucketed a team-best 14 points, while guard Nansen adding 10 points. Nansen also led the team with four assists, while freshman point guard Jennifer Petures hauled in a team-high eight rebounds in the loss.

The game was the final home game for the lone Lady Titan senior. Becky Snyder ended the season with 146 total points, 91 total rebounds, two blocks, 15 steals, and started all 26 games for the Titans. "It was a hard season, but Becky remained positive and kept the team together," added Nansen.



## BYTES & PCs



### Now Hiring.

Close to 75 percent of Westminster students take advantage of the many opportunities for internships as part of their college experience. Often these internships are scheduled over winter breaks, in the summer or between terms.

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The Web Developer internship gives a Computer Science major real-world experience with Web development. He assists Westminster's Webmaster and aids in the development of web-based forms that access various types of databases. The student should have a solid programming background and some experience with web page development. He works half days and receives credit for one course to be decided by the Computer Science Department.

The Web Designer internship gives an Art major the opportunity to help design and develop departmental and organizational web pages for Westminster's faculty and staff under the supervision of the College Webmaster. The student should have some prior experience with web page development; however, it need be only minor. The Art Department will give credit for one course for the completion of this internship.

As with most organizations in the corporate world, the College's network has become a business-critical resource. A Computer Science major interested in pursuing a career in network management may be interested in an internship assisting in the day-to-day work of running the network, reporting directly to the Enterprise Network Manager. Tasks include carrying out preventive maintenance of the hubs and switches throughout the campus, upgrading operating software, creating equipment inventories, assisting with server maintenance, creating and updating documentation, and testing new software. Course credit for this internship, involving 10 to 12 hours per week, is determined by the Math and Computer Science Department.

The Help Desk Student Manager is a full-time internship established to provide help desk support for the students and staff of the College. The primary focus of this position is on supporting the campus-wide Novell network. A student can gain an extremely useful understanding of networks and PC technology in this work. Course credit is received from the Math and Computer Science Department for Computer Science and Computer Information Systems majors. The Economics and Business Department will grant internship credit for this position also, as it involves managing tasks and student staff and scheduling.

Recent graduates who have jobs in the technology field report that their experience during their internships with Information Systems was of great benefit in landing their first jobs and when they started working in their chosen fields.

Ryan Harvey, a 1999 graduate and former Help Desk manager, is a Systems Analyst at Merck Research Laboratories in Philadelphia. "Merck was very impressed that I had direct experience in many areas of information technology as a new college recruit. I was able to prove that I had worked with technology in many areas that I was given authority over projects that spanned several weeks or months and was given the opportunity to provide input, direction and feedback to those projects."

Jeff Witkowski, also from the class of 1999, stated, "I am currently employed by the American Junior Golf Association as Manager of Information Systems. My time spent at the Westminster College Help Desk gave me a huge advantage in taking this job. By having hands-on experience, I was able to learn how to solve all kinds of computer problems."

Tony Krance, '99, now responsible for the computer network of the Catholic Diocese of Greensburg, echoes, "You can't beat a year's experience on the Help Desk."

If you're interested in any of these opportunities, come to the Computer Center in Hoyt, or call EXT. 7404 to get more information.

## Congrats Seniors!!!

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# OPINION

## Question of the week

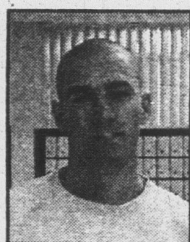
**What do you think should happen to the six-year old who shot his classmate?**



**Kate McKenzie,**  
sophomore  
"He should be imprisoned and getting psychiatric help."

**Laura Gordon,** sophomore  
"What scares me is that this child was never taught the serious dangers of guns. He should be sent somewhere where he can learn, even if that place is a correctional facility."

**Joe Fraas,** sophomore  
"I think he should be put on trial like a normal adult."



**Jennifer Bigelow,** senior  
"His actions are a reflection of his homelife. More attention needs to be placed on the situations children are put in."



**Beth Staley,** sophomore  
"I think he needs a psychological evaluation after which his punishment should be determined."

**Brian Kelly,** sophomore  
"I don't think he should be charged because he is too young."

**Mark Johnston,** senior  
"When he gets a few years older and able to comprehend his actions, he should spend time telling kids about the dangers of guns."



**Julie Elicker,** senior  
"He should be removed from school and temporarily from his home until he undergoes counseling."

## OUR VIEW: What went wrong?

This week's news about a six year-old shooting his classmate has shocked many. However, in the wake of Columbine and other similar incidents, the question is why should we be surprised?

We have become a desensitized nation. And yes, the media has a lot to do with it. The repetition of seeing the bloody images and sexually driven antics makes the adult world numb to what their children are actually viewing. We complain because the children of today seem to be growing up too fast, but why shouldn't they be, considering they see the entire adult world played out for them on television every day. It used to be the kids that lived in "dysfunctional" home environments that caused the trouble, because they had been exposed to what the world then considered ghastly incidents. But now, with the Internet, TV and newspapers, everyone has been equally exposed.

Let's take a quick look at the progression of events building up to this incident; not necessarily in crime but rather in general. We have become a more hurried society. Beepers, cell phones, longer work hours and packed planners have driven America into a "should have been done yesterday" mode. Which is fine for the adult world. If we want to burn ourselves out by being in fifth gear all of the time, then that's our choice. Time has become our focus-mainly the lack of it. What we don't realize is that it's not that there isn't enough time, it's that we try to pack too many things into the time we have. Again, this is fine if that's what an adult chooses to do. However, the problem is, we are punishing the children

along the way.

In our hurried minds and busy days, it seems that the little bodies that once used to be praised for exploring and learning through activity now are being told to sit still and behave. It is rumored that children as young as two and three are being given Ritalin to calm rambunctious ventures. WHAT IS OUR SOCIETY COMING TO? We are discouraging activity because we, as adults, have no time to deal with or shape this "intolerable" hyperactivity. Well, guess what, we are the ones who are teaching them this. We are up at dawn and don't sit down until long after the sun goes down. And where do the kids fit in? Society has made it a custom to plop the kids in front of the TV (and, as previously mentioned, we know how good the media is for children's minds) and tell them to sit still. My goodness, let kids be kids. They need to explore and learn by doing with supervision.

Where is the tie in you might ask? Well, here it is: When you limit the child from learning by doing and have little time to spend with the child, they are going to learn what they see on the TV that is in front of them. In addition, they are going to "grow up too fast" because we are making them into little adults-sitting still and experiencing the adult world, whether it be through the media or first hand.

Then comes the point of who these parents are in the first place. They say, you have to pass a test and obtain a license to drive a car but anyone can be a parent. There are no suggestions on how to regulate who has children but we need to pay closer attention to the training that these future parents are getting.

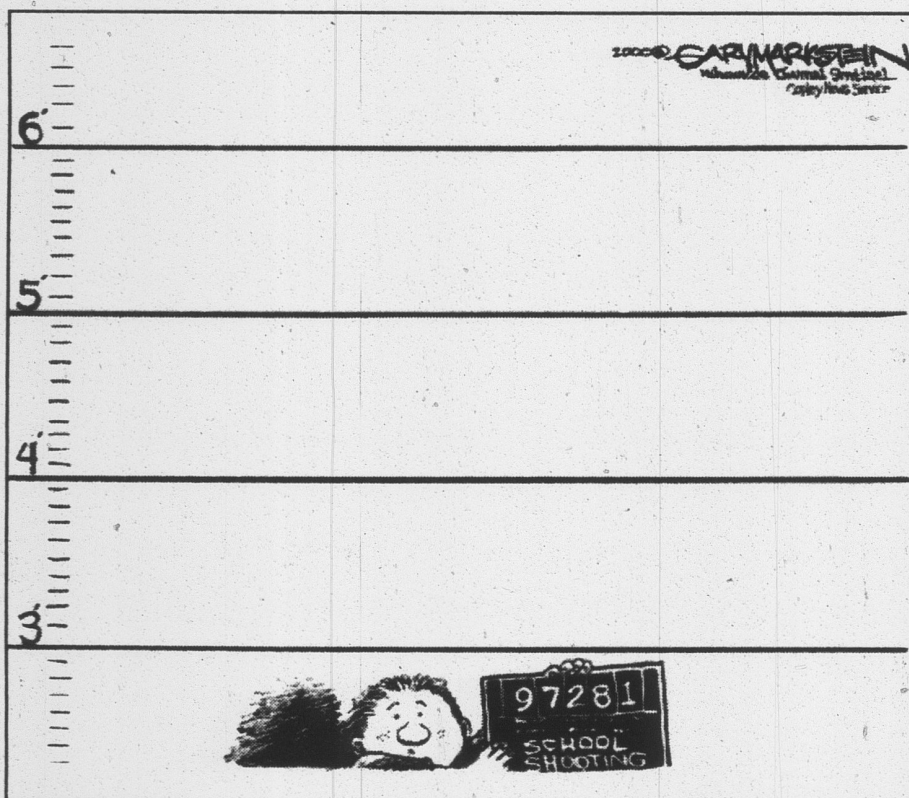
Many of them just might not know that a four-year old child needs to go to bed before 11pm, what is nutritious for them to eat and that they need to teach their children that guns are not the answer to solving their problems. The reason that they don't teach their children these things is simply because the parents don't know either.

It is time that our society wake up and see that the children that are "turning out bad" are a direct reflection of what we are producing. Kids that never should have access to weapons or should even know what to do with a weapon are not only obtaining but using guns to solve problems. It is time that we, as adults, slow down our lives to pay attention to the kids. It is our responsibility as a community, not only as parents, to raise the children; to educate them on guns and exactly what happens when you shoot someone, that it's not like hitting someone-the person doesn't get better.

It is time that we began a stronger force against what our children are viewing and maybe it is time that we looked at what the adults are viewing too. We are role models for these kids, no wonder they are so fascinated by the killings because it's exactly what captivates us.

So, when incidents like the school shootings occur and we stand there asking ourselves what went wrong and trying to blame everyone under the sun, maybe we should turn the pointing finger on ourselves and realize that our future generation is what we make them to be.

## EDITORIAL CARTOON



### Do you have an opinion? LET US HEAR IT!

If you have an opinion to voice about any campus related topic, write a letter to the editor. Letters should be turned into the Holcad no later than Monday at noon, and they will appear in the following Friday edition. Please limit your letters to 300 words or less. Also, be sure they are typed and include the name of the author(s).

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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the letter to the editor in the February 25th edition of *The Holcad*. After speaking to the Student Affairs office and Molly Burnett, the Assistant Dean of Student Affairs, many of my suspicions were confirmed. A dorm for sororities was established to provide the same type of unity that the fraternities had in their houses. Because the brothers and their alumni are the ones who finance these houses, it is the members of the fraternities who live there. In fact, because these houses are available, it seems that there would be fewer upperclassmen males going through an off campus drawing, leaving more openings for independents. The decision to establish Ferguson had nothing to do with the opinion that it is a "most decorative dorm." In fact, it was the only housing unit that could accommodate the five sororities equally.

Another reason why Ferguson was chosen was because the large rooms in the bottom floor of the dorm could be used as chapter rooms for the sororities. The plumbing allowed for the small kitchenettes that are now a part of each room. As for the lobby area of Ferguson, the Panhellenic Council, which oversees the sororities on this campus, has donated money for hall improvements in Ferguson. They funded the electrical wiring that allowed for lamps and fans to be installed in the lobby area, which is not reserved for sororities and has been used for lectures, fresh start, and other non-Greek activities.

As for the idea of restricting Ferguson to sororities, the campus has not always been this way. There used to be a wing reserved for independents. However, this wing was not filled. Because it seemed that most independent upperclassmen did not want the quads and triples that Ferguson offers and the sororities were able to fill these rooms, the dorm is now used primarily for sororities.

Westminster was established as a residential college community. Studies have shown that students living on campus are more involved, do better academically, and are more apt to graduate on time. Although the idea of unity has something to do with the campus' decision to restrict the number of student's living off campus, there is much more to it. Because Westminster did not want to become a commuter campus, they tried to keep the students living off campus still in New Wilmington rather than the surrounding areas of New Castle or Sharon. Therefore, Westminster only allows as many people off campus as the available housing in New Wilmington can accommodate.

In addition to being a member of a sorority on this campus, I am also involved in a number of other organizations. I agree that houses for different organizations, such as Habitat for Humanity, should be allowed. However, after speaking with a number of people, I do not believe that this attempt has been made. No one has ever approached Molly Burnett asking if they could run a thematic house. If there is a person or organization sincerely interested in this idea, they should consider trying to contact the college about this.

After doing a little research, I realized that the issues were a lot more in depth than one might have assumed. I respect the opinions expressed in the letter to the editor last week, however an opinion is just what most of the ideas were.

Thank you,

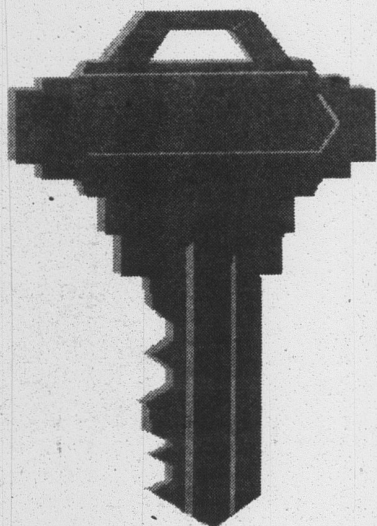
Lindsey Braem

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Claiborne and Joseph A. Bank outlet stores were featured along with footwear from Rockport and 9 West. The models walked the runway to music supplied by DJ Kurt Rothoff.

When the dinner ended students left feeling much more confident about interview and business social situations.

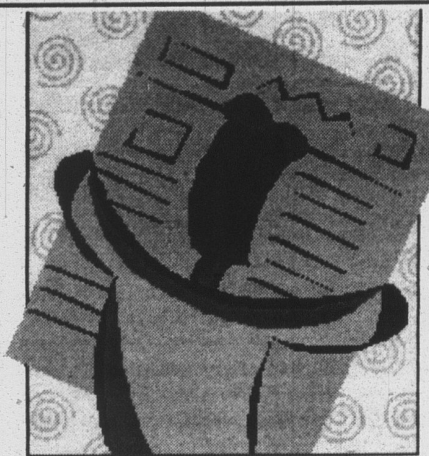
"I'm not at the point in my college career that I will be going to interviews for internships," sophomore Kristin Crowl said, "but I know that when I do I will be prepared."



...IT'S COMING!

## Ask Anything

*Down home advice  
but unlike grandma's  
cooking, we don't  
sugar coat things.*



Dear Ask Anything,

*My parents and I never got along before I came to college and now that I'm here the rift has only gotten bigger. I am the youngest child and now that I've left home they seem to have adjusted to life without any children. I don't want to go home anymore, but I don't know where to go. My parents expect me to come home for every break, but once there, they just ignore me. This has also led to other problems. When I call home after a crisis or I am just in need of a little advice, they seem bothered that they have to help me. I guess I just want to know what to do. Without my parents I feel alienated and alone, but I don't know how to fix it. Any suggestions?*

-- Orphaned at Twenty

Dear Orphaned at Twenty-

First of all, parents are humans just like you and me; meaning that they do have their own "selfish" side. However, they might not even know that they are making you feel excluded. Try explaining the way you feel to them. Don't take the defense but say something to the effect that you really value their advice or opinion on something and would appreciate them listening to your situation. Start with small issues and over time build up to issues that are very important to you. Relationships, even with your parents, are built over time.

Another thing that I kind of eluded to is that you need to tell your parents what they mean to you. I know that some families aren't affectionate and don't say "I love you" often or even that you are glad that they are around. But, this is a critical part in any relationship. Your parents are something to be treasured, considering they are the only two people in this world responsible for you being here!

Basically, my advice would be to talk to them about how you are feeling. Explain that you really want to build a better relationship. Try going out to lunch with them, or just eating a meal together when you do go home. Send a little note in the mail just to let them know that you're thinking of them. Though you may be saying, "I don't get along with them, why would I do something like that?" The answer is that someone has to make the first move. Trust me, your parents will love the "I called just to say hi and see how you were doing" and soon they might do the same. This is all about building relationships. It takes time, patience and determination to make them work, but this relationship especially is worth it. Good luck!

Her

Dear Orphaned at Twenty-

The first step in trying to solve this problem is going straight to your parents. Without openly discussing your feelings with them, there is no way you will be able to resolve this problem. Your parents may not even realize they are distancing themselves from you. They may be looking at it as giving you room, and letting you live your own life since you are at college. Remember, your parents have spent a lot of their life raising you, and how ever many siblings you have. They are probably ready to relax a bit. And no, this doesn't mean they should be ignoring you, they're just easing off a bit, and trying to concentrate on their own lives again. Simply reminding your parents that you still need a bit of attention should be enough to make them realize they have been neglecting you. If I were you, I would talk to them, but then look at this as a good thing. The youngest siblings in a family usually get the most lenient treatment and are given the least amount of rules. Take advantage of this. Get your parents advice when you need it, but enjoy the fact that they're not on your back. And do not get all worked up and move out, at least not yet. Try to work things out. Rushing into not ever coming home could cause big problems that might take awhile to mend. Just tell them how you feel, and take advantage of not having your parents breathing down your neck.

HIM

Ask Anything is a group of advice givers who feel that their advice may be helpful to those who need it. In situations where the problem is too complex for the group at hand, outside professionals will be consulted. All people who write in and ask for advice will remain completely confidential. No names are necessary. Simply send your questions to Ask Anything, c/o The Holcad, Box 157.

Ask Anything reserves the right to choose the questions that will appear in each issue. Unreasonable or unrealistic questions will not appear.



# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Reviews

### REINDEER GAMES

#### Bash

Reindeer Games leaves one simple question to be asked: "why was this movie made?" By the end of this movie, it is a hard question to answer, and it leaves you asking another: "why did I see this movie?"

The previews didn't try to make Reindeer Games appear to be anything more than an action movie. An action movie, plain and simple, is fine. A light-hearted movie filled with a few laughs, some witty one liners and some hard core violence, is called for sometimes. Too bad Reindeer Games doesn't hit any of those marks. Instead, it misses at everything it tries too hard to succeed at, leaving nothing but a moronic, muddled mess for the viewer to wade through on their way out the door.

Ben Affleck and Charlize Theron are two reasons good enough to think this might be watchable. Even though Affleck has let himself slip between the cracks into a pool of mediocre films in his post Good Will Hunting work, he's still enjoyable to watch. Charlize Theron is always enjoyable to watch, as she is extremely talented and attractive, with one of the sexiest voices in movies today. These two, particularly Theron, do a fine job...a fine job that isn't enough to pull this movie up from the dumps.

The plot ties itself into such a ridiculous, unnecessary knot that it loses any effectiveness it could have had, especially during the end, which tries to come off as clever, but only looks dumb.

The basic story line revolves around an ex-con, Rudy, (Affleck) who is released from prison and meets up with a girl, Ashley, (Theron) he has been writing to for the last few months. They hook up, everything's peachy, and then Ashley's brother comes in, and they force Rudy into planning one of the most uninteresting ideas for a robbery caught on film in recent history.

Instead of "why?" we should ask the question "who cares?" Who cares about the characters, and who cares about the plot? We're not given enough time to get to know the characters before jumping into the muddled plot line, which probably would have rendered any real character development a waste of time had there been any in the first place.

As bad as it's name, Reindeer Games doesn't even succeed at being a stock action thriller. And not even Theron makes it worth the bones. Don't see this movie.

After reading my review, the Phat Five will not see this movie.

#### Ash

Once again we are plagued by an action/drama flick that slowly pathetically perishes like a Wicked Witch of the West after having water poured on her. It is here that some of the most talented actors of our time congregate to form an unbelievable and weakly plotted, highly-touted

movie with a silly name - Reindeer Games.

The movie starts out alright...with random shots of dead, smoldering Santas. Then, the craziness begins with the highly original effect of a flashback and a narration by our main character Rudy Duncan (Ben Affleck, Good Will Hunting). The flashback takes you six days earlier where Rudy and Nick (James Frain, Hilary & Jackie), two cellmates, are serving time and are to be released in three days.

Nick has a highly attractive pen pal named Ashley (Charlize Theron, Devil's Advocate) and whose letters he reads to Rudy constantly. Nick is killed in a cafeteria brawl (begun by cockroaches in the holiday Jell-O), and when Rudy is let out three days later meets up with this beautiful woman who believes he is Nick.

Enter Gabriel (Gary Sinise, Forrest Gump) who turns out to be Ashley's brother. Gabriel wants Rudy (who he thinks is Nick) to help him and his motley crew rob a casino, for it seems that Nick worked there and therefore would know how to locate and steal the money.

From here the real actin' begins as Rudy is held hostage by these highly unimposing buffoons who don't want to be truckers anymore (forget postal workers - now it's disgruntled truck drivers). Rudy continually attempts to escape, but is constantly apprehended, until the point when they force him to be an accomplice in the robbery. This is where the Reindeer Games title comes into play with all of the perpetrators dressing as Santas (how ironic!!!).

The acting in the movie was decent. Sinise, Theron, and of course Affleck did a commendable job. I really enjoyed Affleck, however he wasn't extremely believable as a convict. It was basically he who carried most of the plot in the movie.

It was sad to see Sinise degraded to being a white trash trucker with a goatee and long hair. Also Theron joined the mix as the backstabbing bimbo, and Gabriel's cronies were so weak that I could barely take them even minutely serious.

Frankenheimer, the director, did a decent job, especially with the depth of field shots, and the

desaturated colors in the beginning. However, even with decent acting and good footage, the movie did not pull through.

The weakest part of the movie was the plot. It really wasn't that intriguing. It lacked suspense. All in all, it was predictable and lifeless. It has some machine gun action comparable to Scarface and Point Blank type action, but the basis was simplistic and underachieved. Also the script's one-liners were overall just plain dumb...too many witless jokes about Indians and fat Santas.

So, basically the movie was lacking. If you like gun fighting and action, it was alright, but none of it was especially thrilling.

Conclusion: Ash gives Reindeer Games 2.2 fat smoldering Santas.



## Soap operas carry a long and interesting history

By Kendra McClymonds  
A&E EDITOR

Whether they drop everything at exactly 3 p.m. or set their VCRs to record, soap opera fans all over campus scramble to get their fix of glamorous, traumatic, unreal lives played out daily on the many "soaps" aired each afternoon.

For all those dedicated fans, here is a brief history of how these daytime dramas got started...

Before TV, the first radio stations began broadcasting near the end of World War I, but it was almost a decade before companies were formed to provide programming to a large number of radio stations. These networks created nighttime serial comedies that became extremely popular, but most radio executives didn't feel that daytime audiences were large enough to justify the expense of producing network daytime shows.

This left local stations to produce their own programming, and anyone who was will-

ing to work for almost nothing had an excellent opportunity to get on the air.

One person who took this advantage was a young Dayton, Ohio, schoolteacher named Ima Phillips, who traveled to Chicago and persuaded WGN to give her fifteen minutes a day for a family drama she called "Painted Dreams". This is how Phillips, who would later become the most prominent television soap creator, conceived the very first soap opera.

When these shows caught on, they proved to have an immense appeal to the housewives who were struggling to survive the hardships of day to day life during the depression. By the late 1930's, more than thirty radio serials reached a daily audience of forty million - twice the audience reached by television soaps today.

This vast audience was great for program sponsors. "Ma Perkins," one of the first popular soaps sent the sales of Oxydol, a laundry detergent, through the roof. Soap companies plunged into the business of producing serials

that featured their products, thus the birth of "soap operas."

Although all soaps thought of themselves as "true to life," they actually presented viewers with a fantasy world. These unrealistic plots, of course, are still present in all of today's soap operas as well.

The trend was set and all soaps, as a form of escapism, have been populated with wealthy, glamorous characters that live the lives many people can only fantasize about.

At the core of all shows, however, are strong family values. Many soap opera characters, like their viewers, seek the stability of a traditional marriage and family life.

Of course, to make the plots interesting these dreams are often shattered by the complex problems of real life. Who could forget the time when Marlena from Days of Our Lives was possessed by the devil or when Reva from Guiding Light had a clone? It's obvious modern soap writers add enough humor to make the experience of watching a soap opera more fun - they know it's unrealis-



AP File Photo

Days of Our Lives is just one of the soaps that captivate millions per day.

tic.

Despite competition from dozens of cable networks, the genre remains strong with millions of faithful viewers - such as the ones here at Westminster. The ten existing network soaps have an average daily audience of twenty million and a yearly audience of fifty million Americans.

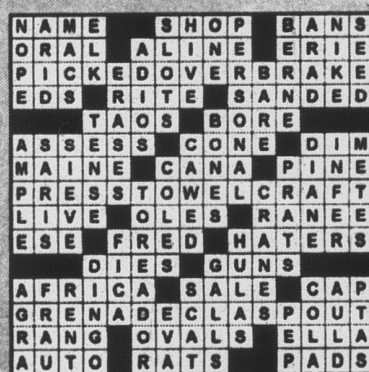
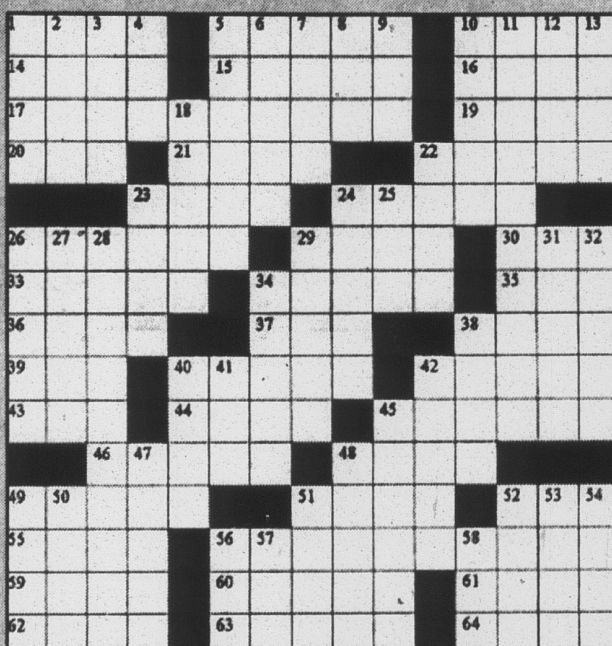


## ACROSS

1. Comes before cracker
5. Pakistan dresses
10. Glimpse
14. Oklahoma city
15. Era
16. Islam sect
17. Chinese rest. Offering
19. Nauseous
20. Oil classif.
21. Mutilate
22. Plateaus
23. Poses
24. Camera accessory
26. Descendant of Shem
29. Coagulate
30. Neb. Neighbor
33. Nerve fibers
34. Trick alternative
35. E. Indonesian islands
36. Level
37. Caviar
38. Sleeping
39. Neutral territory abbr.
40. Mental objects
42. Old woman
43. Buffalo to D.C. dir.
44. Word after county
45. Ballroom dances
46. Breathed with difficulty
48. Eagle's nest: var.
49. Play part
51. 1700 British composer
52. Pub
55. Possessed
56. Italian rest. Offering
59. Not in use
60. Revenge
61. Sea eagle
62. Legumes
63. Shoe bottoms
64. Greenish blue

## DOWN

1. Mends
2. Old World buffalo
3. Elegant
4. Summer time in NY
5. Impeachment jury
6. Domed or vaulted recess
7. House space
8. Hosp. Section
9. Send: abbr.
10. Slalom curves
11. Turkish rest. Offering
12. Printer's measure
13. Chatters
18. Leaves out
22. Actor Damon
23. Trigonometric function
24. Absconds
25. Mauna
26. Chalcedonies
27. Tests
28. Pizzeria garnish
29. Zagreb native
31. Sports palace
32. Chilly models
34. Tire groove
38. Crowd
40. Man or Pines
41. Unacceptable grade
42. Proofreading symbol
45. Touch and taste
47. S.A. range
48. Narrow ridge
49. Ocean liner
50. Give over
51. Blue dye
52. Tire
53. Actress Magnani
54. Fisherman's need
56. Women's titles: abbr.
57. Wall Street newcomer: abbr.
58. Like some generals: abbr.



## HOROSCOPES

## Aries

A close friend could say something that really astounds and upsets you, but do not take it at face value. He or she is just hiding a pressing problem and really needs your help to get through this problem.

## Taurus

Errands that you run this week could produce an unexpected byproduct, a new friendship. The two of you will marvel about how much you have in common - it truly is amazing.

## Gemini

An upcoming business trip could provide an opportunity to get in touch with old friends. Make plans this week to spend some time with them to make the business trip a little more enjoyable.

## Cancer

Take a second look at a possible business venture to determine if this is really a feasible idea. A little foresight now could save you many hours of anguish in the future.

## Leo

A project that you begin working on will soon turn into a group activity that everyone enjoys. Working together is sometimes difficult for you, but this turns out to be just the opposite.

## Virgo

A personal relationship grows this week as the other member of it is determined to make you happy. Enjoy this new feeling of intimacy, but do not forget to return the feelings.

## Libra

Work goes better than planned this week, as feared obstacles never materialize allowing you to get everything done quickly. Use this experience to figure out a way to make this continue in the future.

## Scorpio

Take the advice of a friend or coworker to help you speed the completion of a project. Remember to let him or her know that you appreciate their timesaving suggestion.

## Sagittarius

A new friend may try to take the relationship to a new level, but you might not be ready for this. Subtle hints will not do the trick in this case, so you must try to be up front and direct with this person on how you truly feel about him or her.

## Capricorn

An upcoming meeting has you worried about how you will fare in the minds of these strangers. You need to relax because things will turn out better than you could have ever dreamed.

## Aquarius

A tough decision demands to be answered this week, even if you do not have an answer. Talk with close friends to get their opinion and then trust your heart to lead you the right way.

## Pisces

Keep things simple this week and remove all exterior distractions from your path. If you only focus on the matter at hand, you will have that much less to worry you.

## NUMBERS TO KNOW



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# CLASSIFIEDS

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FACULTY FORUM** will be held Wednesday, March 15, at 11:30 a.m. in TUB A/B where the featured speaker will be John Bonomo, speaking on "You Gotta Problem with That?"

**TUESDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP** Tuesday Morning Fellowship is canceled Tuesday, March 7 due to Mid break, but will resume on Tuesday, March 14 with Timothy T. Wooster as the featured speaker. The group meets at 7 a.m. in Lindley Dining Hall.

**THE BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT SEMINAR** will host Bryan Black of the University of Pennsylvania, who will be speaking on "Techniques in Historical Ecology: Evaluating Human Impacts on Pennsylvania's Forests." The event is tonight at 7 p.m. in Hoyt 152 and is sponsored by Tri Beta.

**SAMMY KERSHAW** will appear in concert on Saturday, March 11, at 8 p.m. at the Scottish-Rite Auditorium, New Castle. Kershaw's hits include *Love of My Life*, *Cadillac Style*, *She Don't Know*, *Queen of My Double Wide Trailer*, and others. For tickets, information, and charge-by-phone, call anytime 1-800-895-1010.

**FOREIGN FILM FESTIVAL** continues on Tuesday, March 14, at 8 p.m. in the Down Under. Featured film is *Police Story*, featuring action superstar Jackie Chan taking on an army of ruthless gangsters in a film filled with non-stop episodes of unbelievable stunts and martial arts action. The film is dubbed in English, filmed in Hong Kong in color (1996)

and runs approximately 92 minutes.

## WANTED

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF THE AMERICAN RETIRED ASSOCIATION** New Wilmington branch seeks speakers or musical performers for its monthly meetings, which are held at 2 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Bayer Foundation. Contact Chuck Wood, president of AARP, at (724) 533-2352 for more information.

**DANCELINE** Are you interested in dancing? Try out for the Westminster Titanettes Danceline. An informational meeting will be held tonight at 5:30 p.m. in Orr Lobby. Tryouts will be held soon. For more information, contact Lori Scott at ext. 7789.

**BOWLERS** are needed for the annual "Bowl for Kids' Sake," hosted by Big Brothers/Big Sisters. No skill required! The event is scheduled for Saturday, March 24, at Colonial Lanes in New Castle. Each bowler is asked to raise \$35 in sponsorship money. Game of bowling, food, T-shirt, and entertainment included. There are many chances to win prizes. For more information or to sign up, contact Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lawrence County at (724) 657-3680. Have fun while raising money for a great cause!

**STATE FARM INSURANCE** The Western Pennsylvania Human Resources Department of State Farm Insurance is currently recruiting candidates for the Summer Intern Program. Candidates should send resumes to Sherrell James, State Farm Ins., 8800 Barnes Lake Rd., North Huntingdon,

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**STUDENT CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION, Inc.** has internships available year-round. Visit their website at [www.sca-inc.org](http://www.sca-inc.org) for information or to download an application. If you prefer to send for details write to SCA Inc., 689 River Road, PO Box 550, Charlestown, N.H. 03603-0550 or call 603-543-1700. The e-mail address is [rap-mail@sca-inc.org](mailto:rap-mail@sca-inc.org).

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**NEW JERSEY THEATRE GROUP** offers various internship programs at their member theatres. For information, contact Dee Billia, director of information services at 973-593-0189, e-mail [njtg@nj.com](mailto:njtg@nj.com) or visit their website at [www.njtheatre.org](http://www.njtheatre.org) for current theatre listings. If you prefer to write, the address is: 17 Cook Ave., Madison, N.J. 07940.

**STATE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION** announces summer life guarding positions for Lake Erie. Interested parties should call 412-565-7666 or write to State Office Building, Rm. 1503, 300 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15222.

**ERIE INSURANCE GROUP** is offering technical internships in the Erie, Pa. area. These internships are only available to stu-

dents whose permanent residence is within approximately 100 miles of Erie's home office. Qualifications include a major in computer science, MIS, or instructional design. Erie is currently looking to fill the following summer internship positions: 1) 2 actuarial internships (property/casualty); 2) 2 applications design and programming internships; 3) 1 IAN/WAN development internship; 4) 1 data base administration internship; and 5) 1 web page development internship. Please contact the Career Center with any questions.

**PHYSICAL PLANT DEPARTMENT** of Westminster College is currently seeking students for full-time summer employment in crafts, custodial and grounds units. Applicants must be at least 16 years old and starting salary is minimum wage. Applicants will be accepted at the Physical Plant Office Monday-Friday, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Applications received prior to April 30 will be given first consideration.

## FOR SALE/RENT

**FOR RENT:** Apartment for summer rent, May 15 - August 15. \$750 for entire summer. Two bedrooms w/ double beds, full size bathroom, living room, kitchen, and dining room. Close to campus. Call Julie at 946-3733.

**GUITAR FOR SALE:** Jackson Dinky XL reverse head stock 24 fret electric guitar. Jet black, fairly good condition. Stock pickups include nylon bag case and one way tremelo. All hardware also included. Originally purchased \$350, asking \$150 obo (cash only). Call Roxanne at ex. 7769.

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# Calendar of Events

## FRIDAY 3

Last Day for Fall Semester INCOMPLETES  
11:40 am - 12:10 pm - Chapel  
6:00 pm Halls Close for Spring Break  
10:00 pm Walton-Mayne Closes  
TBA Women's Basketball GLIAC Tournament  
TBA Men's Basketball GLIAC Tournament

## SATURDAY 4

Spring Break  
Phi Mu Founder's Day  
LLP Block III Classes End  
Walton-Mayne Closed  
TBA Women's Basketball GLIAC Tournament  
TBA Men's Basketball GLIAC Tournament

## SUNDAY 5

Spring Break  
Walton-Mayne Closed

## MONDAY 6

Spring Break  
LLP Block IV Classes Begin  
5:00 pm Walton-Mayne Closes  
FILE FAFSA 2000

## TUESDAY 7

Spring Break  
5:00 pm Walton-Mayne Closes

## WEDNESDAY 8

Spring Break  
8:00 am - 4:00 pm PMEA Adjudication Festival - Orr, Beeghly, & Music Dept.  
5:00 pm Walton-Mayne Closes

## THURSDAY 9

Spring Break  
11:00 am Support Staff Meeting — TUB A/B  
5:00 pm Walton-Mayne Closes

Argo



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Applications are available at Student Affairs

Deadline March 20

Questions should be directed toward David Swerdlow EXT 7345

The Zeta Lambda Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity

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Joe Gill

Rich King

Richard Leigh

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Chris Nave

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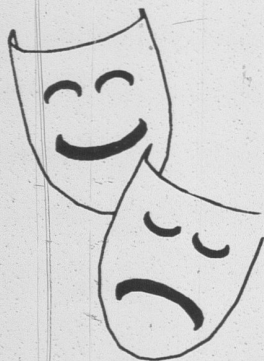


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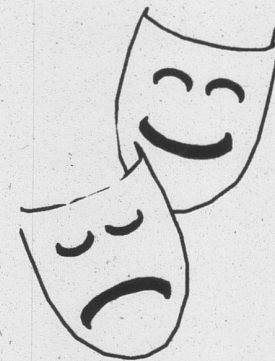
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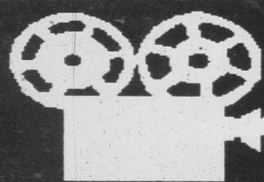
## Alpha Psi Omega presents The One Act Festival:



Mrs. Sorken  
For Whom the Southern Bell Tolls  
Asleep on the Wind  
Funeral Parlor  
The Elevator  
Canker Sores and Other Distractions



**March 17 at 8:30 p.m.**  
**March 18 at 2:30 and 8:30**  
**p.m. in the Down Under**



**At the Down Under**



## Comedian Showcase:

**Vince Morris Saturday, April 1 at  
8:00 p.m.**

**Eddie Ifft Saturday, April 7 at 8:00  
p.m.**

**Vic Henley Saturday April 14 at 8:00  
p.m.**

**Marc Eddie Saturday April 28 at  
8:00 p.m.**





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This Citgo station in New Wilmington isn't the only business seeing gas prices increase.

## Gas prices on the upswing

### Costs to continue rising throughout the summer season

By Jen Body  
STAFF WRITER

Are you planning a road trip sometime in the near future? If you are, you might want to check your gas gauge before setting out on the road. Gas prices in western Pennsylvania have reached a recent high that has some consumers leery about traveling long distances.

Prices at the pump have ranged from \$1.47 a gallon for Unleaded fuel, up to and even over \$1.56 in some areas. These high prices are leaving businesses and locals cautious about how far they drive their cars.

Bill Houk, a driver for Aiken Refuse in New Castle and Ellwood City, believes the increases are begin-

ning to affect local companies.

"The increase in gas prices is inevitably being passed onto the consumers. Small companies like Aiken can't afford to dissolve the costs associated with gas prices," Houk said.

Recent reports have shown that this increase is only the beginning. Gas prices are expected to continue to climb as the summer months approach because manufacturers know people will have to pay high prices if they plan on traveling for vacations.

Jill Krepps, a Shenango Township resident, disagrees with that accusation. "It sure will affect my summer plans. In past years, I thought nothing of traveling back and forth to Pittsburgh and Erie once or twice a week. If gas prices keep increasing, I won't do anymore driving than I absolutely have to. I can't afford to waste my money," she said.

Westminster students just finished Spring

Break, and gas prices certainly didn't affect everyone's travel plans. Junior Jennifer Rich spent part of her break in Niagara Falls, Canada and said gas prices didn't stop her fun.

"Sure, gas was expensive for the trip, but what are you going to do about it?" Rich asked. "Unless you want to stay at home, you have to pay it. I'm not happy about it either, but what can you do?"

What can consumers expect to pay next? Time will be the only answer to that question. In fact, no one is certain of the future for gas prices in Western Pennsylvania. The decision to drive or not to drive is left up to the discretion of the consumer.

However, Houk adds that we will end up paying for it one way or another. "It all rolls down hill, just like everything else in this world. Do we honestly have much of a choice?"

## Author shares experiences

By Michael Burnett  
STAFF WRITER

Virginia Hamilton delivered a presentation to a full house of people for the diversity symposium circuit in the chapel last Thursday.

As a professional writer for over 30 years, Hamilton's work includes such award winners as *The House of Dies Drear* and *The Planet of Junior Brown* as well as Newbery Medal winner *M.C. Higgins, the Great*.

She has had much success throughout her writing career, with many of her books having been translated to Italian, Spanish, Japanese and other languages. "She carries herself in a very confi-

dent way, like she is somebody," said Beth Brooks of student affairs when asked of her reaction to the symposium.

Hamilton started publishing her books in 1967 and doesn't plan on stopping anytime soon. "I have two books on the way, and I am writing one to be published in 2001," Hamilton said.

A fervid collector of frogs, Hamilton attempts to encourage people to live in harmony with both each other and nature. Also, she encourages students to daydream-outside of class, of course. "Children should be allowed to think deeply about what surrounds them," Hamilton said. "It is the best way to develop an appreciation for the world."

Hamilton and her husband Arnold have two children, Leigh and Jaime. "Even though

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Virginia Hamilton

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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Student's attention levels diminishing as Spring Fever sets in

By Laura Stanley  
STAFF WRITER

It's coming. Spring. And if you look around campus, you'll see spring fever has already hit Westminster College.

Students have started to break out their shorts as the air turns milder. Heavy jackets stay in rooms, while windbreakers, hooded sweatshirts and sometimes just t-shirts make an appearance.

The activity on campus has perked up too. Somehow, WC is just a little bit noisier. People yell at each other through open windows. Music blasts out of Russell Hall. And the students! Well, the students are all over the place; sitting, walking, running, rollerblading. All this fresh air just makes a body want to get up and move.

"We went for a walk around the lake,"

sophomores Andi Majot and Anna Tielsch said.

Pick up games of Frisbee and football have commenced as students become restless for the return of spring. The nice weather also prompts a small release of stress. Students want to enjoy the weather rather than concentrate on schoolwork.

"It's insane. I love it! You can do your homework outside," junior Stan Rothrock said. "I want spring to be right now. [Spring fever] makes me not want to go to class because I want to run outside and play in the grass. It's too nice to sit in the classroom," he said.

"About two weeks ago, when it was real nice, I had some tests," sophomore Allison Fill said. "I didn't study for them. I sat outside all day with my pencil in my pockets, and when it was class time, I went and took my

tests, and then went back outside and sat."

"You get real restless when you sit outside," freshman Jeanetta Antus said. "You stare out the window during class, and then you fail your exams."

However, not everyone on campus has been bitten by the bug. Art professor Dr. Kathy Koop says spring fever forces her to fight for her students' attention.

"They don't come to class, they don't do work, and they still beg for A's. I've been teaching so long, I don't allow it to affect me. I have a job to do," Koop said. "It's hard for me to stay patient with my students. Half of them didn't show up for class today. For some, [spring fever] will last till the end of the semester. For others, we hope to knock it out of them. The trick is to try to get them into focus again after spring break. I give different assignments, which trick students into con-

centrating. I have to be more disciplinary," she said.

Some professors handle the breakout of spring fever in a different fashion.

"Well, students and I both want to be outside. We don't want to be in the classroom. I try to let classes out early," English professor Dr. William "Doc" McTaggart said.

"I don't hold classes outside because when I was student teaching, a boy stuck a worm down a girl's back, and she screamed and everyone started laughing. I said I would never have class outside again, and I haven't. That was in 1961," he said.

There's no doubt about it; when the fever hits, students and teachers may be fighting a losing battle when it comes to academics.

"There's nothing you can do. It's a virus. It overtakes you. It consumes you. It eats you whole," sophomore Grayson Sieg said.

## Honors program offers students an optional project

By Chris Comtois  
STAFF WRITER

It's that time of year again when sophomores will be invited to join the Honors Program here at Westminster. Sophomores with QPAs of 3.3 or higher will receive a letter in the mail asking them to join this prestigious program, although some majors require an even higher QPA for students to join.

The program starts in the fall of a student's junior year with the Honors Colloquium. Each year a different theme is chosen for the Colloquium. In past years it has been forbidden knowledge. Next fall's theme is still undecided. The students read several books designed to foster an intellectual community amongst the students.

The Honors Colloquium is led by two faculty moderators, Dr. Ann Throckmorton and Dr. Jeffery Kripal.

"The moderators are chosen so that we have one from the sciences (Dr. Throckmorton) and one from social sciences (Dr. Kripal). We purposefully do that to create that balance between the two disciplines."

During the Honors Colloquium the students come up with ideas they would like to use for their senior thesis. Proposals are then written in the spring of the student's junior year. Students begin the research once the proposal has been approved. The proposal is approved by each individual's Honors Board. The Honors Board consists of the student's advisor, a member at large, one of the moderators and a member of the Committee on Academic Standards. The honors board will stay with the student throughout the rest of program.

Once the Honors project is complete, the student then presents his/her Honor Thesis and answers any questions regarding their work. This is called the honors defense.

"It was a really good experience. I enjoyed working independently on my project," senior Jamie Openbrier said. "I learned a lot about myself and how I learn best being in the Honors Program. I definitely recommend this program to anyone who has the opportunity to participate."

## Legend of King Arthur course to travel abroad Students given opportunity to travel to England and Scotland

By Jon McKay  
STAFF WRITER

A seven-week course on the legend of King Arthur, concluding with a three-week trip to the British Isles, will be offered in the coming semester. Dr. Fritz Horn and Dr. Deborah Mitchell will be teaching the class and leading the trip.

The class, which will begin in late October and go until Christmas break, will count for two credits towards the Humanities requirement, and be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The other two credits of the course will come from the trip, which will last from Dec. 28, 2000 until Jan. 19, 2001.

"We are looking for a group of about 18 to 20 students for the course," Mitchell said. "Students are also allowed to take the class

but not go on the trip."

The trip will take the students to the English cities of London, Windsor and York, where they will spend New Year's Eve. They will then travel to Scotland and Wales. Finally, the group will return to England to visit Bath, Glastonbury, Winchester and London, from where they will depart.

At each stop, the group will explore local Arthurian legend that was discussed in class. Most stops also include tours of famous cathedrals, castles or ruins that deal with Arthur.

The first informational meeting for the course was held Mar. 21 in Hoyt Science Center. Horn and Mitchell both spoke about the trip and a movie from the last trip was shown.

"We have done this trip before. It has really been a lot of fun," Horn said. Mitchell

added, "It is an incredible experience."

"Taking a trip like this is important to do in college because the opportunity may not be there once we enter the 'real world,'" said sophomore E.J. Campbell, who attended the meeting.

The current cost of the trip is \$2,800, which will cover all transportation, lodging, tours, and breakfast and dinner each day. The price is subject to increase or decrease, and payment is not due until the fall.

"The \$2,800 covers everything, and is padded. We left some room. If we find at the end of the trip that the cost was too much, we will be able to offer some rebates," Horn said.

For more information on the class or trip, contact Dr. Mitchell or Dr. Horn, or visit the "Live the Legend" website at <http://www.westminster.edu/staff/fhorm/KingArthur/KingArthur.htm>.

## Community in controversy over new porn shop Pulaski

By Luke Shuster  
STAFF WRITER

What do you think of when you think of Pulaski, Pennsylvania? A few months ago most Westminster College students would have described Pulaski as a small, rural town nestled in the foothills of Pennsylvania. If you asked students the same question now, the opinion of the town might change.

Adult Land, located on 422 in Pulaski, opened its doors for the first time three weeks ago. The opening of the store triggered a huge anti-pornography movement from the citizens of Pulaski. Since opening, protestors have stood outside the store singing songs and praying in protest.

"It is causing quite a disturbance in our town. But it is nice to see our town get so much attention for once in the news," said sophomore Lucas Bell, a native of Pulaski.

Many students were avidly against the store being built.

"Whenever I see an adult video store, I

automatically question the morals and values of the town in which it is," said sophomore Laura Julian. "I wouldn't want one in my town."

Junior Brian Rigby said, "It is sad to see Pulaski's image be destroyed by the video store. Hopefully New Wilmington will never have to deal with such a situation."

Despite the opposition many Westminster College students support the store be built.

"Porn is natural," sophomore Tim Stasik said. "It has been around since the beginning of time and will continue to be around."

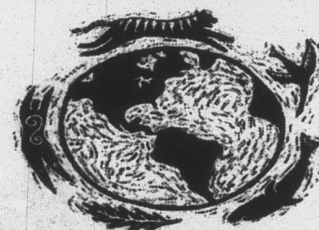
Freshman Jon Birtalan said, "Being allowed to sell and buy pornography is something that is given to us as American citizens and covered by the First Amendment."

Currently, the store has been closed down due to a ruling by an area judge saying the store hadn't met all building requirements that it needed. However, the store supposedly will be allowed to re-open after the requirements are met.

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# Org Com class to present projects at conference

By Erin Morgan  
STAFF WRITER

Students in Cary Horvath's Organizational Communication class will be presenting posters at the undergrad poster session at the Eastern Communication Association Conference (ECA).

The students constructed case studies on organizational communication after spending ten sessions with an organization of their choice. They interviewed the workers at the organization in order to gather information about relationships, management style, organizational trends, how employees socialized and more.

The majority of the class also chose to create posters for the conference for extra credit. Some of the organizations that will be presented are the Steelers, Sky Bank, The Shenango Home, City Rescue Mission and The Sharon Herald.

"It was a valuable experience to observe how an organization runs on a day-to-day basis," senior political science major Katherine Barone said.

It was important for Horvath to show the students how the abstract theories of organizational communication are used in reality.

"When I think back to my undergraduate degree, what strikes me as the most memorable experiences are when I was forced to leave the classroom and apply course con-

cepts to the real world," Horvath said.

The goals of the case studies were to personalize the issues of organizational communication. The main areas of study were system theory and corporate culture. Horvath admits that the projects were labor intensive, but she also said that the students got a lot out of the projects.

"It was really interesting to apply the lessons we learned in class to a real organization," junior broadcasting and speech communications major Allison Sanders said.

Horvath received a lot of positive feedback from the organizations.

"One surprising outcome of the projects is not only did the students gain information about organizational communication, it also caused the people at the organizations to look at their own communication within the organization," Horvath said.

In order to get to know the organizations, the students had to ask hard and personal questions. Some of those questions consisted of: How has your organization adapted to competition? What were your expectations about this job? How do managers at your organization use their power?

Horvath wanted to give the students an opportunity to present their posters at the conference because it will expose them to further communication research and give them a sense of what it is like to be at an academic conference.

## Comparison of the college norm

By Sara Bozich  
STAFF WRITER

We all know that Westminster College is a special place, for one reason or another. Clearly, our small community environment is not typical of any large, public university. But how else do we compare to other schools?

A Geocities website has a list (and you've probably seen the emailed forwards) on "How to tell if you're a college student." But how do you know if you're a Westminster student? Let us compare.

*You might be a college student if...*

you have the pizza delivery # memorized

you have ever shown up for class wearing the same outfit you wore to bed the previous night.

you have developed a weekly ritual of waking up blurry-eyed on Saturday afternoons and proceeding to determine where the hell you are.

you have ever done laundry at 4 a.m.

you have ever vomited from a rooftop, or down a stairwell.

you have ever paid \$100 for a single book without batting an eye.

you have ever sold that same \$100 book eight months later, unread, for \$7.

you have done a week's worth of food shopping at Wal-Mart.

you have a credit card, but no job.

your hair color changes more often than the season.

the "home fries" you were served at breakfast look suspiciously like the french fries you were served at dinner the night before.

you actually know someone named Sasha.

you have ever climbed from your friend's third-story window to your own fourth-story window because you locked yourself out of your room.

you set your alarm clock for 8:50am to make a 9:00am class.

you have rediscovered afternoon naps.

you'd rather go hungry than break off your Internet connection to order pizza.

people suddenly shut up while Letterman does the "Top Ten" list.

you were in debt by \$20,000 before your twentieth birthday.

it doesn't faze you at all to carry on a pleasant conversation with someone while going to the bathroom.

you have caught yourself using words such as "aggregate" or "egregious" in casual conversation.

*Now...You might be a WC student if...*

you have waited over an hour and a half for Papa John's because they supposedly only deliver every hour.

you have ever shown up for class wearing the same outfit you wore to bed the previous night...and been called on it.

you have developed a weekly ritual of waking up blurry-eyed on Saturday afternoons and proceeding to determine which frat house you're in.

in Galbreath you have to sign up to do laundry-but it's FREE.

you have ever fallen down the stairs at Alpha Sig's.

Okay that's the same.

Uh huh.

To do your grocery shopping without a car you have to wait in line at the Golden Dawn behind a few Amish, who strangely enough, managed to grab the last bag of Nacho Cheese Doritos and last case of Mountain Dew.

you have 10 t-shirts, 5 phone cards, and some candles that are NOT allowed in your dorm room.

you know that there are only two hair colors on WC campus - Zeta blonde and brunette. heehee.

you can go to the cafeteria on certain days and write with crayons on paper table cloths, win prizes, sing karaoke and get fun playthings.

all your friends' names are Dan, Dave, Sara, Carrie, and Emily.

you've paid \$5 to get into your room because you locked yourself out after midnight.

you don't wake up for your 8:10am class.

you have rediscovered morning naps, afternoon naps, evening naps, before-you-go-out naps.

you don't HAVE to break your Internet connection to order pizza. And Dominos will deliver to ANYWHERE on campus (believe me, I've tried.)

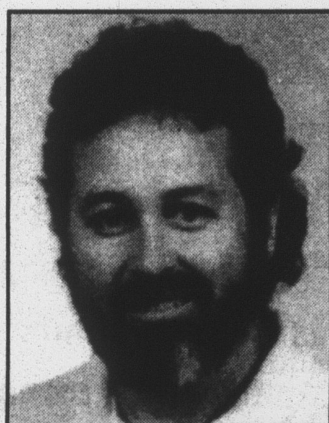
people suddenly shut up when you start talking about the scenes for next week's 90210.

you were in debt by over \$20,000 before your twentieth birthday-unless you were fortunate enough that Mommy and Daddy paid in full-in advance.

you have ever sneezed in front of Old Main and someone over at Hoyt said, "Bless you."

you have caught yourself starting ALL of your sentences with, "I guess..."

## Dr. Terry Thomas



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## FEATURE

### Toy classic turns 50 with a new color and webpage

Silly Putty—that peculiar, pinkish substance that bounces like rubber and stretches like taffy—turned 50 on March 2, as the American toy classic celebrates with a new color, a Web site and a place in history.

A golden touch has been added to the “real solid liquid” with a new color—Gold Silly Putty—that glistens like gold and bounces, stretches and pulls apart just like its pinkish counterpart. A historical collection of Silly Putty, including one of the earliest known Silly Putty eggs, Gold Silly Putty and other materials spanning five decades now resides at the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of American History. A vintage blue and yellow Silly Putty egg from the early 1950’s is currently on display in the museum’s “Material World” exhibition devoted to significant inventions and materials that have shaped American culture.

The Silly Putty collection at the National Museum of American History tells many fascinating stories about how this unusual product

became an American phenomenon,” says John Fleckner, chief archivist at the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of American History. “We were interested in this collection because Silly Putty is a case study of invention, business and entrepreneurship and longevity.”

To inspire some silliness around the golden anniversary, the maker of the curious compound is giving Silly Putty fans of all ages a golden opportunity to enter the silliest uses they’ve invented for the timeless toy into the “Silliest Uses for Silly Putty Contest.” A 14-karat gold, one-of-a-kind 50th Anniversary collective Silly Putty egg and a lifetime supply of Silly Putty is up for grabs for the most inventive purpose provided for pounding, pressing, pulling or molding Silly Putty.

Prolific putty users can enter their unique uses for Silly Putty through [www.sillyputty.com](http://www.sillyputty.com), the new official website of Silly Putty. Visitors to the new site can

immerse themselves in Silly Putty history, watch vintage commercials, learn how the strange substance is made and even buy a five-pound slab of original pink Silly putty.

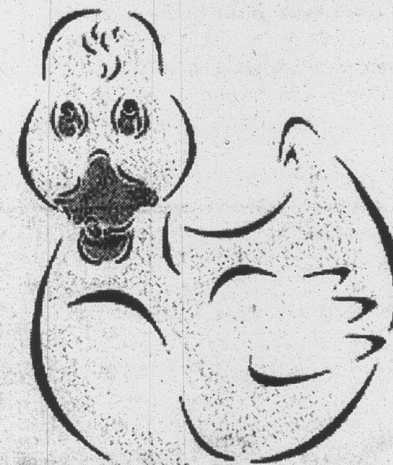
Known as the toy with one moving part, uses for Silly Putty—ranging from cleaning computer keyboards to recuperating from a down day on Wall Street with a therapeutic squeeze—are almost as numerous as the more than 20,000 eggs snapped together each day. An internal panel of silly adults will evaluate each idea based on originality, practicality and above all, silliness. Fifty honorees will be recognized, along with their inventive ideas, on “The Top Fifty Silliest Uses for Silly Putty” list to appear on the new Silly Putty Web site on June 1. All entries must be e-mailed by May 2. If you don’t bring home the gold (egg that is), but your idea makes the list, a plethora of Silly Putty prizes are also being awarded. Nine runners-up making the top 10-portion of the list will receive a bulk block of original Silly Putty and a variety of Silly Putty

eggs. All others making the list will receive a dozen Silly Putty eggs, including new Metallic Gold Silly Putty.

“Ordinary people have difficulty making sense of Silly Putty, which accounts for their fascination when they experience it,” says Peter Hodgson, Jr., son of Peter Hodgson, Sr., creator of the ultimate use for the fortuitously invented product. “Successfully marketing Silly Putty as a toy resulted from my father’s intuitive grasp of the silly relations occurring among the product’s unique properties and the universal human experience.” Hodgson, Jr., now a retired professor of Russian Literature from UCLA, was instrumental in stretching the toy into universality, when he introduced Silly Putty to Europe and the Soviet Union in the early 60s.

New Metallic Gold Silly Putty is now available at retail locations nationwide and wherever toys are sold for about \$1.49, or \$2 when packaged with original Silly Putty in the classic red plastic egg.

## Join in Westminster's "Race for Success"!!



In cooperation with SGA, the Student Affairs Office is providing an opportunity for students to develop their leadership skills. Leadership Day is an opportunity for students to become better leaders and help their campus organizations become a stronger, more effective part of Westminster College.

For who?	All interested students
When?	April 1, 2000 10am-4pm
Where?	Check-in is at 10am in Orr Lobby
What's included?	Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Great Prizes, a Rubber Duck Race in McCray's Run, Opportunities to Meet Successful Leaders, Cool Leadership Ideas & Much More

Registration is free. Contact Molly Burnett in the Student Affairs Office at x7114 by Wednesday, March 29 or email at [burnetma@westminster.edu](mailto:burnetma@westminster.edu).



# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Three-vehicle pileup during rush hour leaves two dead Accident backed up traffic on Rt 28

By Michael Hasch  
TRIBUNE-REVIEW

Two people were killed and two others injured in a three-vehicle pileup Monday that closed the northbound lanes of Route 28 for several hours, snarling evening rush-hour traffic for miles.

Michael J. Zahorchak, 25, of New Kensington, Westmoreland County, was pronounced dead at the scene of the 5:48 p.m. accident along the four-lane highway between the R.I.D.C. Industrial Park and Harmar Township exits, state police said.

Zahorchak's passenger, a woman believed to be in her mid-20s, was thrown from the wreckage and died a short time later at Allegheny General Hospital, North Side.

The driver of another vehicle, Les Logsdon, 36, of Indiana, Pa., was admitted to Allegheny General Hospital in fair condition. The third driver, Lois Pokusa, 26, of Monroeville, was treated at UPMC St. Margaret in Aspinwall and released.

Police rerouted northbound rush-hour commuters along Freeport Road but several motorists said they were stuck in traffic for a couple of hours. The roadway was reopened

about four hours after the crash.

Three of the four tires on Zahorchak's burgundy Nissan Pathfinder were nearly bald and may have contributed to the crash on the rain-slickened highway, troopers said.

State police said Zahorchak was traveling south when his vehicle crossed the narrow grass median and collided head-on with a northbound Ford Taurus driven by Logsdon.

As the Pathfinder flipped over, the spinning Taurus was then struck by the northbound Chevrolet Corisca driven by Pokusa, troopers said.

Neither Zahorchak nor his passenger was wearing a seat belt but the Pathfinder's airbag did deploy, troopers said.

Both Logsdon and Pokusa were wearing seat belts and the airbags in their vehicles also deployed, troopers said.

Investigators said they may never know how fast Zahorchak was driving but said only one of the tires on his vehicle would have passed state inspection.

Troopers confirmed that rescue workers found some handguns in the wreckage of the Pathfinder but it was unclear if Zahorchak or his passenger was licensed to carry weapons.

### PSU party ends with hospital visits due to date rape drug

By Tom Gibb  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

STATE COLLEGE — It was just supposed to be a late night party. Instead, it wound up with five people unconscious and fighting to breathe, a sixth at the brink of death and shaken Penn State University officials warning that a relative newcomer to the local drug scene is really a killer.

The drug, newly outlawed in Pennsylvania, is gamma hydroxybutyrate, GHB for short. Users nicknamed it "liquid ecstasy," "salty water" and "grievous bodily harm." It has been dubbed a date-rape drug. But the six partygoers who sipped the water-clear liquid at a rental house on the fringe of Penn State's University Park campus early Sunday were just chasing its high — euphoria, giddiness, a lurch into mental low gear.

Quickly enough, though, the party was over and an alarmed student was phoning for ambulances. One person was unconscious outside the house; another four had passed out inside; and a sixth person had passed out by the time ambulances made it from Centre Community Hospital a mile away.

"They weren't just passed out but were in a deep state of unconsciousness," State College police Sgt. Dana Leonard said.

"One of the victims was put on a respira-

tor," said Dr. Margaret Spear, director of Penn State's University Health Services. "That means that if the person had not been in a hospital with a respirator available, they would've probably stopped breathing and could've died."

All six of the people, three men and three women whom police and university officials refused to identify, were discharged from the hospital by the end of the day.

But over the weekend in a park near Hollywood, Fla., four people 18 to 23 years old ended up in critical condition after overdosing on GHB. And last week, three young men in Detroit were convicted of manslaughter for spiking a 15-year-old girl's drink with a fatal dose of GHB.

At Penn State, shaken officials credited only luck.

At least three of the victims are students; the six range in age from 21 to 23.

The house where the party was held is home to three strangers thrown together for a semester when they couldn't find other quarters at the start of the school year, said one of the occupants, a graduate student who would talk only on the condition his name not be used.

He said one of his house mates threw the party but didn't bring the GHB.

### Wilkinsburg man causes silent racial protest in Greensburg

By Joe Mandak  
TRIBUNE-REVIEW

The March 1 shooting of five white men by black Wilkinsburg resident Ronald Taylor has once again prompted a silent, anonymous response.

Several light poles and traffic signals along Main Street in Greensburg Monday bore bumper sticker-like signs whose message was as black-and-white as the ink used to print them:

"Death penalty for black savage Ronald Taylor."

Last week, Raymond A. Thompson Jr., 20, of North Huntingdon Township was cited by township police for posting advertisements on the property of another in connection with racist fliers found in Irwin on March 6. If convicted, Thompson faces a fine up to \$300 or 30 days in jail.

Those leaflets read "Black Crime: White Victim," and called for whites to "stand up and fight." According to police, the fliers were posted during the early morning hours of

March 6 in newspaper vending boxes in Greensburg and on buildings in Irwin, North Irwin and North Huntingdon.

Three of the five men Taylor shot died. One of the survivors of the shooting spree, Richard Clinger, 56, of North Huntingdon Township, was shot in the head and is undergoing treatment at UPMC Rehabilitation Hospital in Squirrel Hill.

After the shooting, police found racist and religious screeds signed by Taylor in his apartment, targeting whites and Jews. Taylor also reportedly told at least one black witness during the rampage that he wanted to kill whites only.

Thompson refused to tell police where he got the leaflets, but admitted posting about 10 copies of the flier on businesses, churches and bus stop shelters in Irwin. Police said Thompson did not post the leaflets in other area municipalities where they were found.

Police in Greensburg haven't said whether they believed yesterday's incident and the Irwin fliers are related.

### The Region in Brief

#### Peters educators, managers to meet with mediator

Peters Township school officials and the district's teachers' union plan to meet at noon March 27 with state mediator Willard Esselstyn in a last-ditch effort to avert a strike. The Peters Township Federation of Teachers has threatened to strike on March 28, halting classes for about 3,400 students. The contract with the union's 212 teachers expired June 30. Salaries, health care benefits and maternity leave are among the issues. Salaries for teachers range from \$28,000 to \$68,403; the average is \$50,369.

#### Turnpike segment to under-go work

Delays can be expected this week on the Pennsylvania Turnpike as crews intermittently stop traffic on a stretch of road along the Westmoreland-Somerset County border. From 1 to 3 p.m. Wednesday and Friday, crews will stop traffic in several 15-minute cycles between the Donegal exit (No. 9) and the Somerset exit (No. 10) to blast and scale rocks on the north side of the highway. This section of road between mileposts 94 and 99 is one of three segments of the 60-year-old original turnpike between Irwin and Carlisle being rebuilt. The project began in 1998 and is expected to be completed this fall.

#### PennDOT studies need for bridge in New Kensington

PennDOT is proceeding with a \$100,000 study to examine whether a new connector bridge is needed from Route 28 crossing the Allegheny River between Oakmont and Tarentum. "We're going to identify problems with the transportation system as a whole along Route 28 heading north from Oakmont," said Jeff Thompson, a PennDOT project manager for District 11 in Bridgeville. Alternatives could include upgrading existing roads, he said. The connector bridge has been touted by a multicomunity coalition as the key ingredient to economic growth in the Allegheny Valley. The project last year landed about \$4 million in federal grants to study and start preliminary designs for the proposed span. The six-lane bridge is estimated to cost \$193 million.

#### Robert Morris to team with city high schools

Robert Morris College will allow high school students from Pittsburgh Public Schools to earn college credit through a new program. The "High School to College Initiative" will be open to high school seniors at the college's Downtown campus. Students will be able to take two classes each semester. Students may choose from courses in math, economics and communications. The courses will fulfill the state requirements for high school graduation. All course books are provided, and credits are transferrable to other colleges.

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## NATIONAL

## Bloomsburg students mourn after fire leaves three dead

By David Kinney  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

BLOOMSBURG, Pa. (AP) - Hundreds of students, many wearing sweatshirts adorned with their Greek letters, packed a campus auditorium Monday to mourn three fraternity brothers killed in a weekend fire.

"There are simply no words to express our sadness," Bloomsburg University President Jessica Kozloff told students.

A fire in the off-campus Tau Kappa Epsilon house killed the three - including the fraternity president - early Sunday. Others jumped to safety in their underwear from a second-story window.

The cause of the blaze has yet to be determined.

"There's any number of things it could be," said Bloomsburg police Sgt. Joe

Wondoloski. "We can't rule out a cigarette being thrown down and smoldering, or an electrical overload. There were space heaters there. There was a DJ there at one point."

The fire started several hours after the end of a party attended by about 30 students.

Bloomsburg, founded in 1839, is a state university about 100 miles northwest of Philadelphia with an enrollment of about 7,500.

State legislators reacted Monday to the fire with a resolution and a bill aimed at improving campus fire safety.

The bill would force public and private universities to get sprinklers for all student housing within five years. The bill does not address off-campus, private buildings like the fraternity house at Bloomsburg.

Legislators said future legislation may target private buildings where students live.



AP File Photo

The Tau Kappa Epsilon house at Bloomsburg college caught fire over the weekend leaving three fraternity brothers dead.

## Vermont may allow "civil unions" for same-sex marriages

MONTPELIER, Vt. (AP) - With Vermont moving ever closer to something resembling gay marriage, same-sex couples who might be thinking about visiting the state so that they can enter into "civil unions" were warned Friday that they are likely to be disappointed.

For one thing, there is no clear answer as to whether the new status would be recognized by any other states.

"If they want to come here and stay here, they can take advantage of the civil union law," House Judiciary Committee chairman

Thomas Little said. "If people want to fly in for the weekend and get a civil union license and fly home, it's unlikely they're going to have their home state give it any legal recognition."

Under a bill adopted by the House on Thursday and sent to the Senate, gay couples would be granted all the rights and responsibilities available under state law to married couples. Gay couples who enter into civil unions and later decide to break up would have to go through divorce-like proceedings.

"This is a legal structure parallel to marriage, but it's not gay marriage," said Rep. William Lippert, the only openly gay member of the Legislature and a key architect of the bill.

"I think it can be a model for other states for how to grant rights to gay and lesbian couples without having to step into the emotionally charged arena of gay marriage."

The Senate Judiciary Committee voted unanimously Friday to pursue the same course as the House.

Under the bill, same-sex couples would qualify for more than 300 rights and benefits that flow from marriage under Vermont law, including inheritance, property transfers, medical decisions, insurance and taxes.

Couples could file a joint state income tax return, for example. However, they would not be recognized as couples under federal law, meaning they would not be receive the rights available to married couples with respect to immigration rights, Social Security and federal taxes.

## Man still holds hostages after allegedly killing four others

DUNDALK, Md. — A hostage drama that has riveted the Baltimore region was in its fifth day Tuesday as a suspected killer held police at bay with random gunfire and frustration built among neighbors evacuated from their homes.

Both Joseph Palczynski and negotiators had a quiet night with sporadic talks, each about 90 minutes long, police said today. Discussions continued today.

Police used a robot to deliver pizza to him late Monday.

One shot was fired inside the home Monday afternoon after Palczynski had broken off talks for several hours. Police would not say specifically if any of the hostages were injured, but did say that there were no "life-threatening" injuries.

The standoff began Friday when Palczynski allegedly forced his way into the home in a suburban Baltimore neighborhood, taking the mother of his former girlfriend and two others hostage.

Palczynski is accused of kidnapping his former girlfriend, Tracy Whitehead, on March 7 and killing four people over a two-day period, then leading police on a manhunt that lasted more than a week.

Whitehead escaped one day after she was taken hostage. News reports have said Palczynski's main demand during the hostage crisis has been to speak to her.

At one point Monday, a man and a woman, believed to be hostages, were heard yelling out a window asking police to put Whitehead on the phone, saying that other-

wise Palczynski would do something drastic.

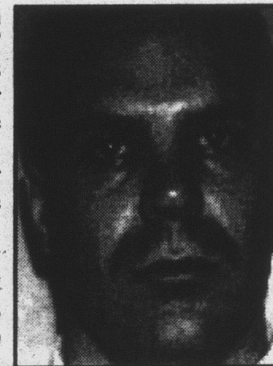
Police would not say whether Whitehead has been involved in the negotiations.

Palczynski also fired on a police armored vehicle Monday for the second straight day. Police in the vehicle were trying to get Palczynski to pick up the phone to reopen negotiations.

The standoff is wearing down the patience of residents of the four-block area surrounding the home where Palczynski was holed up. Police cordoned off the area but allowed some residents to leave Sunday.

Police arrested a photographer early today who was found inside the inner perimeter. A resident of the neighborhood also was arrested Monday while trying to sneak back into the area.

One woman said SWAT team members shot one of her four dogs while taking up residence in her home near the hostage scene. She said they explained that its barking was making too much noise for their surveillance operation.



Joseph Palczynski

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## INTERNATIONAL

## Death toll estimated at over 300 in Ugandan religious suicide

KAMPALA, Uganda (AP) - Prisoners dug a long trench Monday and a bulldozer shoveled charred corpses into a common grave, the final resting place for hundreds of members of a religious cult led by a former prostitute.

Most of the victims apparently were women, and police counted the bodies of 78 children, the interior minister said. He put the total number of dead at 330.

"These are the ones we could count," Interior Minister Edward Rugumayo said. "The others are unrecognizable."

Rugumayo spoke to reporters in Kampala after inspecting the burned hulk of the church hall just outside Kanungu, 215 miles southwest of the Ugandan capital. He said that in addition to the 330 bodies found after Friday's fire in the church, five bodies were spotted through a hole in a nearby pit latrine.

Rugumayo said police were sure there were more bodies in the latrine, a walled, communal structure common in African villages, but were awaiting digging equipment to excavate the pit. He did not offer an explanation of how or when the bodies got into the

latrine.

Official estimates of the number of deaths have varied between 235 and 600. On Monday, bodies were shoveled into a long trench dug by inmates, but it did not appear that officials were counting victims.

"What emerges out of all this," Rugumayo said of the sect, "is that the authorities never suspected anything."

He said the 10-year-old Christian sect, known as the Movement for the Restoration of the Ten Commandments of God, was founded by Cledonia Mwerinde, a former

prostitute who had the chapel built on the grave of her father. The sect had about 1,000 members in nine districts in Uganda and was legally registered as a nongovernmental organization.

"There are still sect members out in other districts, and they are being pursued," Rugumayo said. "We're going to close down all the branches of this sect and are going to be more vigilant about NGO-registration in the future," he said. "But we can't stop freedom of worship."

## Thirty-six Sikh men dead after militant massacre in Kashmir

SRINAGAR, India — A band of suspected militants massacred 36 Sikh men on Monday night in a village in the Indian state of Kashmir on the eve of President Clinton's state visit to India, a visit he had hoped would help bring peace in violence-torn Kashmir, a disputed Himalayan region claimed by both India and Pakistan.

No group has yet claimed responsibility so it was not possible to ascribe the motives of the killers with any certainty, nor whether they are from one of the militant organizations that have links to Pakistan's army intelligence.

But police officials in Kashmir were already blaming Urdu-speaking foreign mercenaries who are participating in Pakistan-sponsored efforts to undermine and end rule by India, predominantly Hindu, of Kashmir, which is mostly Muslim.

Indian police officials said the massacre, which took place on Monday night about 9 p.m., was carried out by dozens of Muslim militants. They descended on the largely Sikh village of Chattisinghpura about 40 miles south of the summer capital of Srinagar, ordered people from their homes, then executed the men.

Thirty-four men perished on the spot and two more died later at a hospital.

In a region where massacres of Hindus happen periodically, this attack was highly unusual. The Press Trust of India said this is the first time the Sikh community, a small minority, has been targeted in the decade-long militancy in the state.

India, which has been pressuring the United States to put Pakistan on its list of state sponsors of terrorism, may point to this incident as yet another piece of proof for their case. And coming when President Clinton is in the region, the horror of the attack will be hard for the United States to ignore, especially if it comes out that a group based in Pakistan carried it out.

Gen. Pervez Musharraf, the army chief who has been ruling Pakistan since a coup on Oct. 12, has contended that the militant groups based inside Pakistan are engaged in a legitimate holy war against Indian rule of Kashmir, and not in terrorist acts against civilians. He says Pakistan offers them only moral and diplomatic support, not material and operational help.

But Indian generals, briefing a small group of foreign reporters last week, claimed to have intelligence that since the coup the Pakistan army has been training and directing the militant groups.

## Pope John Paul II fulfills his dream of traveling to Israel

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) - Pope John Paul II arrived Tuesday in Israel, beginning the first official visit by a Roman Catholic pontiff to the Jewish state and embarking on his own long-held dream of walking in the footsteps of Jesus at the dawn of Christianity's third millennium.

In a sign of the enormous importance the Jewish state attaches to this historic visit, virtually the entire Israeli government - from the prime minister and president on down - was on hand to greet the aging, ailing spiritual leader of the world's one billion Roman Catholics.

John Paul stepped off his Royal Jordanian plane onto the flower-bedecked, red-carpeted tarmac at Ben Gurion International Airport. Three children from Jesus' boyhood town of Nazareth - one Jewish, one Muslim and one Christian - were included in the welcoming ceremony, held under gray, rain-heavy skies.

Although the pope's journey has been billed as a mainly personal and spiritual one, it is unavoidably freighted with political significance. The coming days will bring him to some of the region's most hotly contested sites, including Jerusalem's walled Old City, home to shrines sacred to all three monotheistic faiths.



AP File Photo

Pope John Paul II made history after traveling to the Jewish state of Israel.

The journey - perhaps the crowning pilgrimage of John Paul's 22-year papacy - will also take him to the biblical heartland of the Galilee in northern Israel, the setting for many of Jesus' teachings, and to the West Bank town of Bethlehem, the town of Christ's birth and the pontiff's only stop in territory held by Yasser Arafat's Palestinian Authority.

## The World In Brief

## Kashmir strife continues amid Clinton trip

NEW DELHI, India - President Clinton, agreeing with Indian Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, declared Tuesday that violence in Kashmir "must end." The leaders' appeal for peace comes just after the latest violence in the territory claimed by both India and Pakistan. The night before, pro-separatist militants staged a massacre in Kashmir, killing 36 Sikhs. The fighting has heightened attention on India and Pakistan's nuclear arsenals. Clinton's visit with Vajpayee failed to produce any breakthroughs on reducing those regional tensions.

## Russia claims last of rebels purged

SLEPTSOVSKAYA, Russia - A southern Chechen village that Russian forces almost

destroyed to recapture from rebels is under complete federal control, officials said Tuesday. The battle for the city of Komsomolskoye lasted two weeks and highlighted the difficulty Russia will have keeping Chechnya out of rebel hands. Militants had little trouble getting past Russian posts and seizing the village and they proved extremely hard to remove. Russian officials say between 500-600 rebels and 50 Russian soldiers had been killed during the fighting, which saw the village's entire population flee as houses were bombed and shelled.

## Severe flooding wrecks crops in Bolivia

LA PAZ, Bolivia - Flooding from torrential rains in recent weeks has destroyed crops, killed thousands of cattle and left hundreds of people homeless, the Civil Defense Office said Monday. The rains ended a severe

drought that affected a third of Bolivia earlier this month. Rain-swollen rivers overflowed their banks, covering fields of soy bean, cotton, corn and grapes. The rains have also flooded parts of the cities of Santa Cruz, with a population one million, and Cochabamba, with a population of 450,000. The Civil Defense Office said the crops of 22,000 families had been destroyed and at least 10,000 cattle killed, as well as hundreds of people left homeless.

## Woman may lead German conservatives

BERLIN - Germany's conservatives nominated the first woman and first former East German to head a major political party on Monday, a step hailed as a milestone in the country's reunification. Angela Merkel's nomination as Christian Democrat Party chairwoman follows a devastating campaign

financing scandal that had left the country's dominant postwar party nearly on its deathbed. Merkel, 45, will face no challengers in April, when she is expected to be confirmed as party head. She will replace Wolfgang Schaeuble, who was pressured to resign last month over his handling of the scandal.

## Sharif faces death penalty

KARACHI, Pakistan - Lawyers prosecuting Pakistan's ousted prime minister on Monday asked for the death penalty, saying Nawaz Sharif deserved the "maximum punishment" for the role he played during an October coup against his government. Raja Qureshi, the provincial attorney general, told the anti-terrorist court that Sharif deserved to be put to death for refusing landing rights to a plane carrying Army Chief Gen. Pervez Musharraf.



# SPORTS

## Baseball team claims first GLIAC victory in school history

By Aaron Wik and Wendy Hamilton  
STAFF WRITERS

The baseball team opened the 2000 season with a doubleheader in Danville, Virginia, on March 4. The Titans dropped both non-conference games to Averett College.

In the opener, senior starter Vic Kaplack scattered six hits in four innings and allowed only one run. After seven innings, the game was knotted at three, sending it to extra innings. Averett scored the winning run in the bottom of the ninth on a walk followed by an RBI double. Freshman pitcher Matt Pournaras took the loss for the Titans after 1 2/3 innings of relief work.

In the nightcap, the Titans took a lead of 7-1 after five innings, only to see Averett storm back with seven runs in the bottom of the sixth to complete the doubleheader sweep. Freshman starter Kevin Culp allowed four runs on four hits in 5 2/3 innings while striking out eight batters. The loss went to freshman reliever B.G. Davison. Offensively,

senior shortstop Tom Nulph went 3-for-4 with a run scored and a stolen base.

The Titans dropped their third game with a loss to Bridgewater College on Sunday, March 5. At the non-conference contest the Titans lost 27-11 as they continued their trip in Virginia. The team finished up the trip on March 6 and posted its first win of the season with an 8-7 victory over Lynchburg.

Junior Tim Voelp earned the win, allowing six hits and five runs over 5 2/3 innings. Pournaras allowed two runs in the final 3 1/3 innings and recorded his first collegiate save.

"We played well enough to win three games, but we only came away with one. That's all that matters. We're looking good and we just want to get on with the rest of the schedule," junior Henry Kliner said.

"The trip was a good experience for the team. We're a young team, but hopefully this will make us become more cohesive as a group," Pournaras added.

The team improved to 2-3 in their home

opener March 15 as the Titans posted their first shutout in nearly two years. They recorded a 5-0 blanking of Grove City College in a non-conference game.

Senior Brian Zima pitched eight scoreless innings to improve his individual record to 1-1 in the season. Zima allowed just three hits while striking out nine Grove City batters in the victory. Culp pitched a hitless ninth to close the game for the Titans.

"We did what we had to do. We made our plays defensively, and we got hits when we needed them," said Kliner.

Three hitters posted multiple-hit performances in the win. Pournaras went 2-for-3, freshman B.G. Davison was 2-for-4 including a stolen base, and senior Tom Nulph was 2-for-5, also with a steal.

"If we play like yesterday then we should have a great season," said Kliner.

The team improved to 4-3 overall and 2-0 in GLIAC play last Saturday as the Titans posted a doubleheader sweep of Gannon

University. The Titans posted a 1-0 shutout in game one, before posting a 4-3 win in 11 innings in the second game.

Game two was tied 3-3 after seven innings, sending the game into extra innings. After three scoreless innings, the Titans got the game-winner in the bottom of the 11th as Kliner walked, moved to second on a wild pitch and scored on an RBI single by senior Jason Smith.

The following day, the team improved to 6-3 overall and 4-0 in the conference as the Titans posted a doubleheader sweep of Gannon for the second consecutive day, giving the Titans the sweep in the four-game weekend series. The Titans posted a 1-0 shutout in game one, before posting a 4-1 victory in the nightcap. The Titans have now won six straight games after opening the season 0-3.

The Titans play two double headers at home this weekend against Saginaw Valley State University. The games start at 1 p.m. on both days.

## Former Duquesne coach to head football program



Contributed Photo  
New head football coach, Jerry Schmitt, with AD Jim Dafler

Meredith Etcher  
Sports Editor

At the first press conference in the addition to the field house, athletic director Jim Dafler announced that the college had hired Jerry Schmitt as head football coach. Schmitt replaces Gene Nicholson, who retired as head football coach in January after posting a 64-25-2 (.714) record over eight seasons, with one undefeated season (10-0 in 1992) and one NAIA Division II National Championship (1994).

Out of over 80 applicants (internal and external), only eight candidates were inter-

viewed before Schmitt was chosen.

"He has the whole package," Dafler commented. A selection committee composed of assistant athletic director T a m m y Swearingen, head swim coach Rob Klamut, director of financial aid Bob Latta, Professor of Education Darwin Huey, and Professor of Mathematics Warren Hickman.

Schmitt has spent 11 seasons on the football coaching staff at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, including the last five as offensive coordinator and offensive line coach. A 1982 Westminster graduate, Schmitt was a three-year letterwinner and two-year starter on the Titan offensive line under former head coach Joe Fusco, leading the Titans to an undefeated regular season as a senior in 1981.

"We are very pleased to welcome one of our own back to New Wilmington as our new head football coach," said Dafler. "For a pro-

gram like Westminster that has had only three full-time head coaches in the past half century, any time you have a changing of the guard at head coach, it is historic. With his experience leading one of the most successful non-scholarship football programs in Western Pennsylvania at Duquesne, we believe Jerry is the right person to lead our program into this new era, and we welcome him back to Westminster."

During his seven seasons as offensive coordinator at Duquesne (1985-87, '95-'99), the Dukes posted an overall record of 53-21 (.716). Over the past five years, he has helped lead Duquesne to a record of 43-11 (.796), three Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference championships and one East Coast Athletic Conference Bowl game. Last season, leading a balanced offensive attack (25 rushing touchdowns, 24 passing touchdowns), he coordinated an offense that averaged 407 yards and 35.7 points per game, which ranked #18 nationally in NCAA Division I-AA.

Schmitt has coached 30 All-Conference offensive players, including 17 offensive linemen, in the past six years. During his time of the Dukes coaching staff, he coached the two most prolific passers, three most productive receivers (including one AP All-American receiver) and three of the top five running backs in school history. In addition to his offensive coaching experience, he has also served as defensive line coach at Duquesne.

"This is a very exciting time to be return-

ing to Westminster," Schmitt said. "With a new division and new conference on the horizon, I look forward to coming back to my alma mater to continue the Titan Tradition."

Dafler added, "(Schmitt) is a great link to the Titan tradition. He is a proven recruiter, an outstanding teacher in the class and on the field. I was impressed by his demeanor and approach."

Schmitt will also be taking on minimal teaching duties. Dafler also said that all of the existing coaches on the football staff will be given new contracts for next year.

Schmitt also has extensive experience as a high school football coach in Western Pennsylvania. He served as head coach at South Fayette High School (1990-91), offensive and defensive line coach at Bethel Park High School (1989), offensive and defensive line coach at Avonworth High School (1988), and was offensive & defensive line coach and junior varsity head coach at West Allegheny High School (1983-84).

In addition to his football coaching background, Schmitt served as head girls basketball coach at Beaver Area High School since 1987 and also served as head track & field coach at West Allegheny High School (1984) and Weirton (W.Va.) Madonna High School (1983). Schmitt worked full-time as a teacher in the Beaver Area School District since 1983.

Schmitt is a native of Pittsburgh who graduated from Keystone Oaks H.S. in 1978. He is married and currently resides in Beechview.

## Golf team opens with second place finish in home invitational

By Brent Wilson  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan golfers began strong with a second place finish in the season's first Titan Golf Invitational.

On Monday, March 20, the Titan golf team began their season in the Titan Golf Invitational at nearby New Castle Country Club. The Titans tallied a four-man total score

of 306, second only to Grove City with a team score of 308.

"It was a disappointing loss by two strokes, especially after such a solid start," junior Mike Burnett said.

Other teams in attendance were Pitt-Greensburg, who arrived late after narrowly avoiding an accident on the turnpike due to a blown tire on their van, with a score of 326, Penn State-Bahrend (339), Edinboro (345),

Waynesburg (356) and Bethany College (366).

In individual competition, Dave Pifer of Grove City (38-36-74) and Westminster's Mike Burnett (35-39-74) tied for medalist honors.

"I hit the ball very well today...it was good iron shots that saved me," Burnett said.

Other starters for the Titans included senior Ryan Grissett (37-39-76), sophomore

Jim McGovern (37-41-78), freshman Drew Aufderheide (41-39-80) and freshman Dave Blazek (38-43-81).

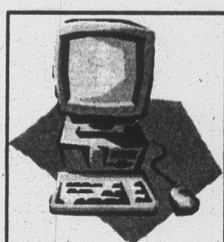
"I was happy with our performance...it was a pretty solid start to the season. I hope that we carry on through the season the way that we started out, playing solid golf," Burnett said.

The Titans next take to the links Monday at home.





## BYTES & PCs



Say goodbye to e-mail!

If you can't live without GroupWise, you need to pay attention to what's happening on the College network in the next few weeks.

The annual campus network upgrade starts immediately after Commencement and will be finished before the start of Summer School, June 12. This year's upgrade will include a total reorganization of the students' e-mail, the post office and the server on which the e-mail system resides. The main objectives of this reorganization are to simplify the setup of student computers for using the e-mail system and to optimize the e-mail system so it can reliably handle the increasing amount of mail being sent and received through TitanNet.

The first step in the mail upgrade process is to delete all current mail on the system. In previous years, it has taken five days to delete all the mail at the end of spring term. But this year, the amount of mail on the system has quadrupled, and if students do not empty their mailboxes and delete attachments now, it will take over two weeks for the system to purge itself of all the mail. This will not be an acceptable option, and the only alternative we will have is to remove the entire student e-mail system completely and recreate it.

If the system is removed and recreated, all students will lose their address books, their GroupWise customization, their folders and their existing GroupWise password as well as all mail and attachments. Therefore it is extremely important for everyone to reduce drastically the amount of mail and particularly the number of attachments that are currently in their mailboxes.

At least 30 gigabytes of messages and attachments must be purged from the system by April 7.

By that date the decision will have to be made about whether to delete the entire student e-mail system or just the contents of the system.

Make plans now to begin deleting mail. For important messages you simply must keep, you can print out those messages or save them on a floppy disk, on your local hard drive, or on a Zip disk. Instructions for saving e-mail messages can be found on the web at <http://www.westminster.edu/computing/help/index.html>

College seniors need to pay particular attention to their e-mail and network accounts. If the e-mail system does not have to be completely removed and recreated, all graduating seniors' accounts will be deleted on July 14, 2000. If the e-mail system has to be removed and recreated immediately after graduation, seniors' accounts will NOT be recreated. So graduating seniors who include an e-mail address on resumes and job or graduate school applications need to make arrangements with another internet service provider for an e-mail account so they can be contacted when Westminster's system is offline and when their college accounts have been deleted.

Some e-mail providers that offer free e-mail are [www.myrealbox.com](http://www.myrealbox.com), [www.yahoo.com](http://www.yahoo.com) and [www.hotmail.com](http://www.hotmail.com).

Students who have questions or want more details about the deletion of e-mail or summer network upgrades should contact the HelpDesk at extension 6900 or via e-mail at Helpdesk.



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## Lil Sib's Weekend

### Schedule of Events

#### FRIDAY MARCH 24

Registration, picture buttons,  
and face painting

(Down Under) ..... 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Pizza/Sub Party ..... 5:00-7:00 p.m.

(Down Under)

Family Feud ..... 7 p.m.

(Down Under - game show)

Dance Theatre ..... 8 p.m.

(Orr Auditorium - extra cost)

Movie - "Tarzan" ..... 8 p.m.

(Down Under)

JT's Café ..... 10 p.m. - 2 a.m.

(Down Under - free coffee/cappuccino  
and cookies)

#### SATURDAY MARCH 25:

Bookstore Open

(TUB) ..... 10 a.m. - Noon

Alpha Phi Omega Story Hour

(McGill Library) ..... 10:15 a.m.

Brunch ..... 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

(Duff Dining Hall)

Fitness Center open ..... noon - 4 p.m.

(Field House - 2 guests per student)

WC vs Saginaw Valley State ..... 1 p.m.

(Baseball field by Field House)

Open Gym ..... 1 - 5 p.m.

(Field House)

Sand Art ..... 1 - 5 p.m.

(TUB Lounge)

Wax Hands ..... 1 - 5 p.m.

(TUB Grille)

Dance Theatre Matinee ..... 2 p.m.

(Orr Auditorium - extra cost)

Lil Sib's Swim ..... 2-4 p.m.

(Field House - closed to the public)

Movie - "Tarzan" ..... 2:00 p.m.

(Down Under)

Dinner ..... 4:45-6 p.m.

(Duff Dining Hall)

Mass ..... 7 p.m.

(Wallace Memorial Chapel)

Recreational Swim ..... 6-8 p.m.

(Field House - open to the public)

Tune-In ..... 8 p.m.

(Down Under - game show)

DJ Dance ..... 11 p.m. - 1 a.m.

(Down Under)

Movie - "Jungle Book" ..... 11:30 p.m.

(TUB TV Lounge)

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 26:

Brunch ..... 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

(Duff Dining Hall)

WC vs Saginaw Valley State ..... noon

(Baseball field by Field House)

NOTE: This schedule of events is tentative. A complete schedule of events will be given at the time of registration.

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# OPINION

## Question of the week

What do you think of Lil Sib's weekend?



**Ellen Johnston, junior**  
"It gives a false impression of the campus because of the large attendance at the activities."

**Andy Pazul, freshman**  
"The Lil Sibs are going to notice that there are only a few people on campus and that it seems completely deserted most of the time."

**Melanie Meyers, senior**  
"There need to be more events for older siblings. It's a little kid thing."



**Fred Reed, senior**  
"It is a waste of tuition money. Why do they need to pay for a shirt and then to do activities. Why couldn't my brother just come up and stay without it being a special weekend? Basically, there is no point."



**Lee Fetters, freshman**  
"The school's not going to get anywhere by inviting 5-year olds. Those aren't the ones who are coming here, but I guess it's nice for them to be able to see their brothers and sisters."

**Jim Kl'na, senior**  
"I think the activities should be more varied to include some for older siblings."

**Ted Merklin, freshman**  
"There is a ton of action. It is something new and they are going to be amazed by it."



**Digger, sophomore**  
"I think it is a good opportunity to get the family involved with the college student."

## OUR VIEW: Lil sib's weekend

Tarzan the movie, story hour, sand art and wax hands. These activities have two things in common. They are all activities that would elicit excitement in the hearts of young children. And they are the feature events of Westminster's tenth annual Lil Sibs Weekend, which runs tonight, tomorrow and Sunday.

These activities are ideal for elementary school children, but how many college students actually have brothers and sisters that are that young? It is far more beneficial for everyone - the college, Westminster students and their sibs - if the event was geared toward high school students instead.

To the credit of this year's program, a few activities are scheduled that could be considered appropriate for teenage sibs, like two mock game shows, JT's Café, a DJ dance and the Dance Theatre performances. However, the overwhelming majority of the activities are meant to appeal to a younger crowd.

When the event began ten years ago, it seemed that more Westminster students had younger sibs, according to Camile Hawthorne, associate dean of student affairs and advisor of CPC (which sponsors Lil Sibs Weekend). "I was amazed when these twenty year old students would tell me that they had an eight year old sib," she said.

However, Hawthorne admitted that those statistics might have changed over the last ten years. "It's difficult to judge the ages from year to year," she said. "This year there is a large variety. The youngest sib signed up is 2

1/2 years old. A few are around age 6, 10, 11, 12, and there are a lot of teenagers."

Another issue that Hawthorne discussed was that CPC began planning the event at the end of last semester. This was way before they knew what aged children were planning to attend.

Because of this, the event schedule is a veritable shot in the dark. They sent this sched-

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ule out to students and their lil sibs as part of the attraction to coming to Lil Sibs weekend. Thus, CPC had options as to the primary age group they would try to entice. From the majority of the activities scheduled, it is clear that CPC had younger children in mind.

However, it is only logical that college students would more commonly have high school age siblings rather than elementary school. So, to achieve greater participation in the event, CPC should gear the weekend more toward teenagers.

Greater participation by high school stu-

dents could benefit the college in other ways. Hawthorne said that she wishes that the weekend would act as more of a recruiting effort. "Sibs hear their brothers and sisters talk about Westminster but actually experiencing some of it might be better." Lil Sibs Weekend could become a very exciting campus visitation weekend, totally centered around the perspective students.

Too often college students lose touch with their high school age siblings. If planned correctly, Lil Sibs Weekend could be an incredible opportunity for those relationships to be maintained.

In the past, high school age sibs have attended the event, but because there is nothing for them to do, they end up at fraternity houses working toward their first collegiate drunken stupor. CPC could alleviate this problem by scheduling appropriate activities.

Scheduling Lil Sibs Weekend with high school students in mind will benefit everyone involved.

However, we would like to make one more suggestion to CPC. Perhaps there is a great call for elementary participation in this event. CPC should do a survey at the beginning of the fall semester to determine the ages of the campus' lil sibs, and whether their brothers and sisters would be interested in attending Lil Sibs Weekend. This way, they would know what age to keep in mind when scheduling the event, and no longer have to make shots in the dark.

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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor-

I am writing this letter because I am unhappy with the services I have received from safety and security. Upon returning from spring break last Sunday I noticed that a small personal item of mine was missing. After an exhaustive search of my room and all of my belongings, and after realizing that school personnel and non-school personnel were in my room, I realized that it was stolen. I immediately called security and my RA. After 15 minutes I called security again. The officer was sent to the wrong room. So I waited 15 more minutes and then called again. This time the officer was sent to the preschool over in Hoyt. I may not be an English major, but Hoyt and Eichenauer don't sound anything alike. The officer was also told that it may have been a prank call. What if it had been an emergency? So after an hour and three phone calls later the officer finally arrived. She was very friendly and helpful. She took a description of the item and made special note of the fact that there were people in my room over break. Well, a little over a week has passed and I have yet to hear from safety and security or Dean Lechner. I am thinking that I may never see the item again, it is probably pawned by now. So I ask the question of whether school employees, whether it be maintenance or otherwise, should have free access to our rooms when we are not there? I say no. This is the second time in four years that I have been robbed and I never received the first stolen item back either. I honestly believe that this is a safe campus, but how safe are our things if we can't keep them in our rooms? I hope that everyone will be a little more cautious with their personal items, I know that I will be.

Sincerely,

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## Vulgarity plagues break

By Derek Bash  
STAFF WRITER

As a long time staple in our country, spring break has become an instinct: a natural calling to the youth of America to flock south to all of the standard rendezvous. While it may have once held higher standards, the modern day version translates into a beer swigging contest for the youth of America...a chance to let loose and "rebel" through partying, while in reality, only conforming to moronic rituals of spring break.

Although Daytona Beach was once considered the destination for college students around the country, it is now passe, with students in favor of more tropical settings. This is for good reason: Daytona Beach is a dump. With dirty sand, almost non-existent culture and nothing more to do other than frequent less than adequate bars, Daytona is far from paradise.

Despite my "anti typical spring break" stance, free lodging beckoned me, along with my female counterpart to make the journey Southward. Calling it a "vacation," we were unaware of the filth we were about to dive into.

Our spring break landed on biker week. For one week, Harleys own the strip, while their owners take over the bars and hotels. Prior to this week, I actually fancied Harleys, always eager to take a borrowed ride and occasionally dreaming of someday owning one myself. Now, though, the stigma attached makes me want to own a Harley about as much as a VW Bug.

The formula for Daytona this particular week was bikers, local yokels and a few, few, vacationing college students.

This brings us to the main kink in the works of the trip: moronic, sexist, loudmouthed, jerks. Scenario: We step on to beach. Girlfriend removes top to reveal bikini. One hundred cries of "show us you t\*\*s" fill the air.

On the beach, this is yelled by your typical college guy (reeking of Abercrombie and J Crew, probably likes Barenaked Ladies, or Creed and watches the WB.) These guys are no problem. They're morons whose most valued possessions most likely include their "coed naked drinking team" shirts, a 3-D Sports Illustrated swimsuit issue and favorite drinking mug.

Sexist comments like the one stated above were almost every five minutes on the beach. The only explanation I can derive from males acting in this manner is that they are mentally and/or physically inadequate to secure a female, apart from the ones hanging from a calendar on their bathroom walls.

While this was difficult, and my girlfriend had to be reminded a few times that it's illegal to slash the tires of jerks even if there is a Dave Matthews sticker in the window, we sloughed it off.

Open-minded until proven wrong, my significant other and I greeted the bikers without prejudice. Yes, they turned the bars into Roadhouse, and yes, the chances of having a beer bottle broken over your head greatly escalated, but we had no beef.

This tolerance lasted about two minutes after stepping onto the main strip where we were greeted with what I now refer to as "biker mentality." Exhibiting what was, in our eyes, animalistic behavior, the men provided us with an unrelenting bombardment of comments from bikers, such as "show us you t\*\*s" and "let us take her home with us," along with numerous other favorites of the week as bikers stared, and stared and stared.

Interjected in between the sexual harassment were other comments like these that enraged me even more. "If I hadn't sold my switchblade for food, I'd be killin' everyone in here." "You spilled beer on my biker, your dead." "Can I get money for gas? I'm a good old boy...I swear I'm not on drugs."

Basically, Daytona proved to be a week long challenge of avoiding being in or starting a confrontation, all because a bunch of rat-like, carny-looking goons, who couldn't keep their eyes on their fringes and their mouths wrapped around a beer.

The bottom line here is show some respect. By making sexist, ignorant, macho comments to and about girls, you're only making yourself look like and proving to be a moron. You're either making women angry or making them feel awkward. My guess though, would be you're probably ruining a chance with a girl you definitely had no chance with anyway.

### HAMILTON from page one

our children grew up through my fame, they were never affected," Hamilton said. "In fact, they have followed in their parents' footsteps. Leigh is a traveler who is starting to write a little, and Jaime has three children's books being published this year."

"I remember one day when Jaime was very young. The phone rang, and he answered it. The person on the line asked if I was busy. Jaime replied, 'No, she's just writing.' The children didn't realize until much later how famous their mother was."

Hamilton spoke for about 45 min. and answered questions for another 15 min. After the presentation, Hamilton then signed autographs for the many fans in attendance.

"Her speech seemed to be geared to writers," said Dr. Jim Perkins of the English department. "She probably has given this speech before to a group of writers. It may have been over the heads of the children present, but I enjoyed the presentation."

She emphasized the fact that a writer is not worth much without their readers. "I am amazed at how many people enjoy my books," Hamilton said. "When I read one of my books, I often go back and think about where I was and what I was thinking when I wrote it."

Hamilton answers all the email she receives and has her own domain on the Internet. She can be reached at [www.virginiahilton.com](http://www.virginiahilton.com).

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



## D. Bash

Without much quality rolling down the cinematic pipeline in the last few weeks picking a movie to see has begun to revolve around convenience rather than desire. This week's bland selection of mediocre films proved to be no different, barring one unexpected gem.

Picked on a whim, *My Dog Skip* turned out to be an emotional, heartfelt movie of great impact. Evoking every emotion on the hearts palette, and digging up nostalgia from varying reaches of childhood, *My Dog Skip* should be required viewing for everyone. Any film maker who could use a lesson in the art of producing a film which is alive, makes you feel, and doesn't retread tired ground, even though the story revolves around one of the most told stories of this century, (the exploits of a boy and his dog), should take note of *My Dog Skip*.

A children's movie for everyone, *My Dog Skip* stars Frankie Muniz of *Malcolm* fame as Willie Morris, who receives a Jack Russell Terrier for his ninth birthday. Muniz shines, and proves that his stint as *Malcolm* only hints at the greatness to come in this young actor's career.

Willie is a shy boy, preferring books to football, and his only friend is the local football hero and next door neighbor Dink Jenkins. After Dink is shipped off to WWII, Willie is left alone to be bullied by a group of young thugs whose snotty, badass yet cute acting, and continually dirty faces make them instantly appealing. After receiving Skip, Willie begins to emerge from his shell, as Skip pulls him into the lime light, helping him make friends, which includes the prettiest girl in his class, Rivers Applewhite.

Skip and Willie share numerous adventures, all of which are entertaining, and carry a message without becoming preachy. *Forrest Gump* type narration runs through the film but never over powers, and simply looks back (the movie takes place in 1942) ala *Wonder Years*, giving us a bit of character background, and clearly defining the lessons the movie conveys so the younger crowd will be sure to walk away with at least a few pieces of wisdom.

Skip the crap. See this movie.

## Ash

Well, the break is over and we're back at Westmini. Most of my contemporaries returned with enthralling stories and sporting bronze tans, but not ole Ash. 'Nope he was livin' it up in Ohio. He's not jealous or bitter though. Someday he'll get his day in the sun. Already the praise and fame he has received from being a Holcad movie reviewer is enough. If he were to kick the bucket now he would die a happy man...yep, happy.

Anyway, the latest flick up for review is *My Dog Skip*, a movie about a nine-year-old boy growing up in Yazoo, Mississippi. Willie is an only child and lives with his parents Jack and Ellen Morris. He is picked on in school, puny, friendless and without a girlfriend. However, on his ninth birthday everything changes as he is given a Jack Russell Terrier which he names Skip.

The setting for this story is in 1942, during the war. During this year, everything changes for Willie. Skip helps Willie gain confidence within himself which in turn gains him friends, a girlfriend and a new perspective on life. Willie learns about love, forgiveness and loss.

The set for the movie is well done. The clothes, automobiles, stores and the setting in general are very proper for the time period. It expressed the correct mood of the times.

The acting was good as well. Kevin Bacon as Jack Morris and Diane Lane as his wife fulfilled their roles impressively. Also, a shining star, Luke Wilson as Dink Jenkins, pulled off the role as the high school jock and hero of the town returning from the war AWOL. The roles of the children were played well by Frankie Muniz as Willie Morris, and Caitlin Wachs, his girlfriend, as Rivers Applewhite. All the characters were



commendably portrayed and believable.

Overall, *My Dog Skip* was a heart-warming story. It helped the audience reminisce about their own childhoods and brought many memories back.

Even though Derrick and I were the only college aged viewers who attended, we really didn't feel out of place for it was the kind of movie which both children and adults alike can enjoy. I'm secure enough in my manhood to admit that toward the end of the movie I almost teared up. *My Dog Skip* is a wonderful movie for all.

Consensus: Ash gives it four Double-Stuff Oreos.

## Toronto police use Backstreet Boys' as torture for protesters

TORONTO (Reuters) - Backstreet Boys' music and other pop songs are being used by University of Toronto campus police to "torture" students into ending a sit-in in the president's office.

For six days, a group of students has occupied the offices of vacationing university president Robert Prichard and other administrative staff, demanding a campus-wide ban of the sale of clothing made in Third World sweatshops.

Of the 20 students who started the sit-in, eight were left Wednesday.

Phones in the offices have been cut off and the students receive food from friends in a pail they pull up from the second-floor window.

At night, pop music is played loudly in hopes of "making life a little more uncomfortable," said Jane Stirling, a manager in the university's public affairs office, on Wednesday.

"This is probably the first time the

Backstreet Boys have been deliberately used as a form of sleep deprivation torture," the National Post newspaper quoted protester Sonia Singh as saying.

"The university is willing to talk to the students, but not while they are inappropriately occupying someone's office," Stirling said.

University shops buy clothing from China and Mexico, but the protesters, who call themselves Students Against Sweatshops, have no definitive evidence that any of the logo cloth-

ing sold on campus is produced by sweatshop labor. They argue, however, that without a code of conduct, there is no proof of where the clothing is made.

Ian Orchard, vice-provost, said the students are "quite a peaceful lot." He said the university has been working for about a year on implementing a policy on sweatshops and that the governing council plans to discuss a code of conduct on May 11.

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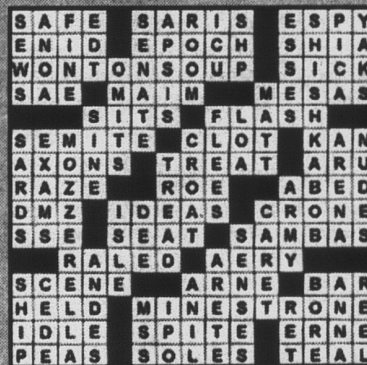
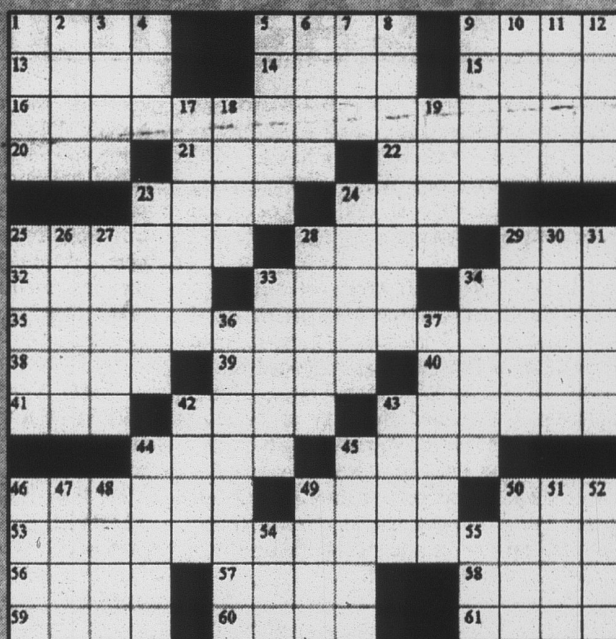


## ACROSS

1. Indonesian Island
5. Great serves
9. Commoner
13. Piene's friends
14. Royal ditch
15. Adore
16. Big East team
20. Timetable abbr.
21. Mardi Gras garb
22. Individualists
23. Church recess
24. Mr. Sampras
25. Bounce
28. Drunkards
29. Business inits.
32. Surrenders
33. Vote an in out
34. Inspires
35. Big Twelve team
38. Caviars
39. Active
40. Missouri City
41. Homer's next door neighbor
42. Computer memory unit
43. Confused
44. Limbs
45. Family diagram
46. Catch
49. Met solo
50. Precedes food or men
53. Southeastern League team
56. Disco dancer
57. Affirm
58. Hit
59. Overwhelm with flattery
60. Kosovo defender
61. Turner and Danson

## DOWN

1. The Crimson Tide
2. Mideast ruler
3. Fibber
4. A doctrine: suffix
5. Entertain
6. Waterford neighborhood
7. Hearing aid
8. Dagger
9. Airport visitor
10. Solitary
11. At all times
12. Harry's wife
17. Playful
18. Thou \_\_\_\_ sinned!
19. Beds
23. Regions
24. Search party
25. Disdain
26. Tea
27. Twiddled one's thumbs
28. Debonair
29. Resides
30. Uncle Miltie
31. Syrian President
33. Neglects
34. Positive pole
36. Gold Medallist
37. Painful experience
42. Boast
43. Seed covering
44. Cupid's projectile
45. Cape Cod town
46. Nest residents
47. Bar sign
48. Like some McDonald's orders
49. Assist
50. Alone
51. Mild expletive
52. Cobras
54. Actress Gardner
55. Apr. to Oct.



# HOROSCOPES

## ARIES

Ironically, keeping your feelings to yourself could help you get your point across objectively. Silence can be a powerful thing. You're a better listener when you're not talking.

## TAURUS

Although you play the lead role in the movie of your life, you don't have to be the main character of every story. There is a lot you can learn from others. You definitely have a lot to say, but try listening to someone else for a change.

## GEMINI

The Gemini Moon has your admirers lining up at the door. What you do with them is entirely up to you. People are attracted to you and your immense appeal, and it's a nice, exhilarating feeling.

## CANCER

Envy is futile and pointless. You will probably stop yearning for something once you realize why it's impossible. The grass is always greener in your neighbor's yard, and this time is no different.

## LEO

You are feeling inspired, so don't waste it. Put your vision to work while the idea is still fresh and hot. Why not post your agenda on a Web site for the world to see, or write an op-ed letter in response to something that stirred you up?

## VIRGO

The backlash from unwise gossip could be swinging your way. Remember that names can never hurt you and then move on. You have nothing to prove to other people, it is what's inside of you that counts.

## LIBRA

Your skills and knowledge make you a valuable resource among your associates. Your experience is the best teacher, so be generous with your time. People look up to you, and your input is important.

## SCORPIO

It could be all too easy to push your buttons. You may find yourself being irritated by the smallest things. Even the most innocent actions of others feel manipulative, but be careful not to overreact.

## SAGITTARIUS

Don't waste your time waiting for the spectacular when the ordinary can be just as rewarding. Trying to appreciate your friends and lovers might be difficult at this time.

## CAPRICORN

It's time for you to get in the driver's seat and take the wheel controlling the course of your life. Don't spend valuable time on meaningless or insignificant chatter.

## AQUARIUS

Reconnect with those related to you, whether by blood or by spirit. Break out the old yearbook, scrapbook or phone book. Enjoy the comfortable excitement of building a new present on a shared past.

## PISCES

When things begin to get a little strange, your first impulse may be to try to escape. Your family could be part of the problem, instead of your refuge. At the risk of ruffling a few feathers, see if you can go off somewhere on your own.

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**THE FOREIGN FILM FESTIVAL** continues Tuesday, March 28, with Ju-Dou, acclaimed as a Chinese variation on The Postman Always Rings Twice (Peter Rainer, Los Angeles Times). The film traces the development of a forbidden love between a mill owner's battered wife and his overworked nephew. The film is shown in Chinese with English subtitles (1990, runs approx. 98 min. in color). All films are shown at 8 p.m. in the Down Under with no admission charge.

**TUESDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP** continues on March 28 with featured speaker Floyd J. Zehr. All meetings are at 7 a.m. in Lindley Dining Hall.

**FACULTY FORUM:** Mark Sciutto will be the featured speaker at the March 29 Faculty Forum. He will be speaking on, "Evaluating Clinical Interventions: Another Reason Why Freud Was Bad For Clinical Psychology." The event will be held at 11:30 in Patterson Hall room 131.

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# Calendar of Events

## FRIDAY 24

Lil Sibs Weekend  
 11:00 a.m. Peace Corps Info Session - TUB Grill  
 11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel  
 2:30 p.m. Peace Corps Info Session - TUB A/B  
 3:00 p.m. Men's Tennis vs. Lake Superior State (H)  
 8:00 p.m. Dance Theatre - Orr Auditorium  
 10:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. JT's Cafe - Down Under  
 TBA Zeta Tau Alpha Initiation

## SATURDAY 25

Lil Sibs Weekend  
 Track and Field at Clarion Early Bird Invitational  
 TBA Softball at Point Park Tournament  
 Zeta Tau Alpha Retreat  
 1:00 p.m. Baseball vs. Saginaw Valley State (H)  
 2:00 p.m. Dance Theatre - Orr Auditorium  
 2:00 p.m. Recital: Chris Snyder - Chapel  
 7:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel  
 TBA Alpha Gamma Delta Golfer's Classic - Borland's Golf Course

## SUNDAY 26

Lil Sibs Weekend  
 9:00 a.m. Sigma Kappa Initiation - Chapel  
 TBA Zeta Tau Alpha Mother/Daughter Brunch  
 Noon Alpha Gamma Delta Mother/Daughter Banquet - Russell Hall Dining Room  
 Noon Baseball vs. Saginaw Valley State (H)  
 1:00 p.m. Men's Tennis vs. Michigan Tech (H)  
 TBA Softball at Point Park Tournament  
 3:00 p.m. Organ Recital: Karl Geiger - Orr Auditorium  
 6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting @ Chapter House  
 7:00 p.m. Vespers - Chapel  
 9:00 p.m. "The Sopranos" - Down Under  
 10:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

## MONDAY 27

Men's and Women's Basketball Intramurals  
 TBA Golf: Titan Invitational (H)  
 Zeta Tau Alpha BMOC Begins  
 11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel  
 4:00 p.m. Who's Who Reception - TUB Lounge  
 5:30 p.m. Panhellenic Meeting - TUB A/B  
 5:30 p.m. Phi Kappa Tau Meeting - HSC 152  
 5:30 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Initiation - Chapel  
 6:15 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112-113  
 6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - TUB A/B  
 6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116

6:30 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311-312  
 8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230  
 8:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice - Chapel  
 9:15 p.m. Lambda Sigma Meeting - TUB A/B

## TUESDAY 28


8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. History Day - PH Lobby, Orr Lobby, and Beeghly Theatre  
 11:15 a.m. Student Life & Athletic Council - TUB A/B  
 3:00 p.m. Softball at Clarion  
 6:00 - 7:10 p.m. Room Drawing for Upperclass Women: Doubles, Triples and Quads - TUB Lounge  
 6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting - TUB A/B  
 6:00 p.m. Diversity Symposium: Phil Brady, African-American poetry-Down Under  
 6:45 p.m. Argo Meeting - TUB A/B  
 7:00 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal - Chapel  
 7:00 p.m. Sigma Nu Pledge Meeting - CFH 116  
 8:00 p.m. Foreign Film Festival: Ju-Dou, Chinese version of The Postman Always Rings Twice - Down Under

## WEDNESDAY 29

Deadline for Head of the Class (HOC) Requirements Verification at the Student Affairs Office, Old Main  
 Men's and Women's Basketball Intramurals  
 11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum: Mark Sciutto, "Evaluating Clinical Interventions: Another Reason Why Freud Was Bad for Clinical Psychology" - PH 131  
 12:30 p.m. Student Affairs Office Monthly Meeting - TUB A/B  
 4:30 p.m. Baseball at Geneva  
 5:00 p.m. Student Alumni Association Meeting - TUB A/B  
 6:00 p.m. Room Drawing for Men - TUB Lounge  
 8:30 p.m. Room Drawing (Doubles) for Current First-Year Students - TUB Lounge  
 7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
 7:00 p.m. Diversity Symposium: Living Wage: A Workshop in Economics and Community- Russell Dining Hall  
 8:00 p.m. Student Pre-Law Association Meeting/Movie - PH 114  
 8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
 9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - TBA  
 9:30 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B

## THURSDAY 30

10:00 a.m. Chapel Staff Meeting - TUB A/B  
 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Career Center Internship Day Interviews - TUB Lounge  
 3:00 p.m. Softball vs. Slippery Rock (H)  
 7:00 p.m. IFC Meeting - TUB A/B  
 7:30 p.m. Celebrity Series Special Event: Battle of the Big Bands - Orr Auditorium  
 7:30 p.m. Diversity Symposium: LaQuay Family Dancers - Down Under  
 9:30 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal - Chapel



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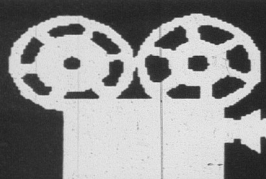
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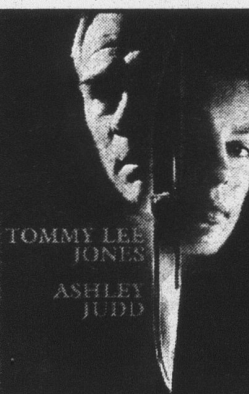
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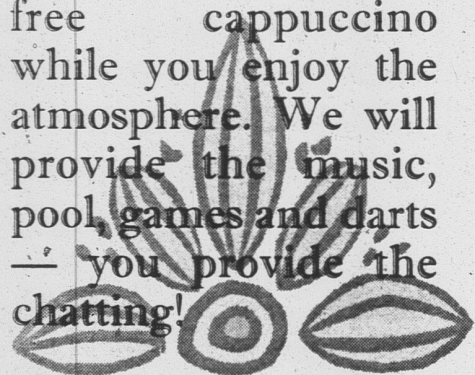


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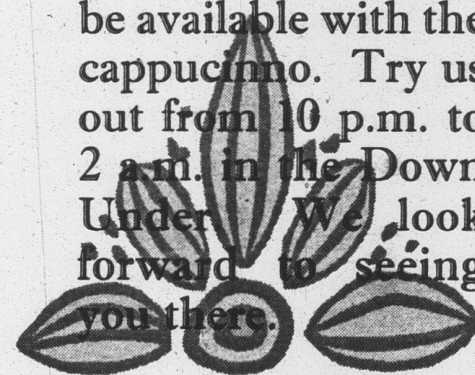
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## Weekend brings Lil Sibs to campus

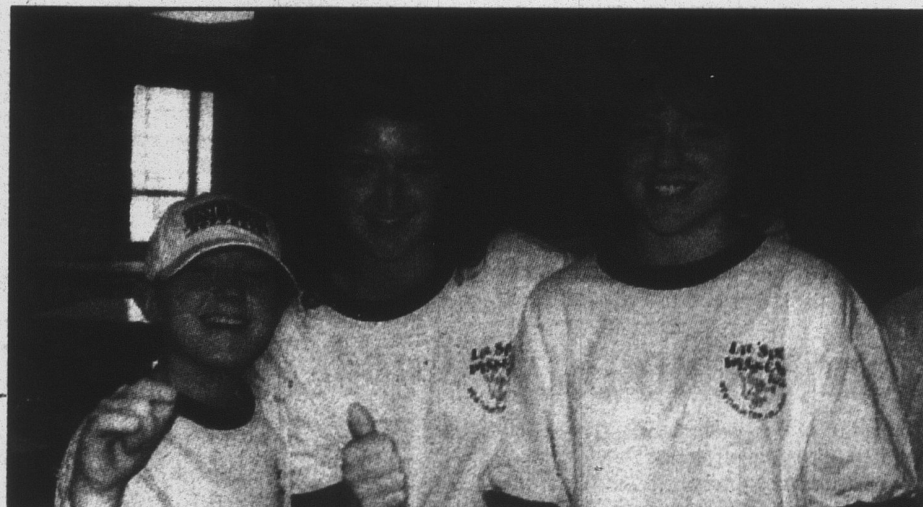


Photo by Courtney Behm

Freshman Emily Henry (middle) and sisters Laura (right) and Sarah (left) took part in making wax hands, one of the many activities during Lil Sibs Weekend.

By Laurie Sampson  
STAFF WRITER

Over the past weekend, the usual campus lifestyle was interrupted slightly by the sights and sounds of the tenth annual Lil Sibs Weekend. Around 85 Westminster students participated by inviting their younger brothers and sisters onto campus to participate in "Swing into Lil Sibs."

Siblings ranging from 3 to 19 were provided with a variety of activities to choose from including JT's Café, two Disney movie showings, mock game shows, wax hands and sand art. Despite some doubts from the campus community whether these activities would be appropriate for teenage siblings, who made up the majority of those attending, the weekend turned out to be a success, according to Camille Hawthorne.

"There was no event that did not have good attendance and participation," said Hawthorne, associate dean of student affairs

and advisor of CPC, the campus organization responsible for Lil Sibs Weekend. "There were teenagers and college students lined up to participate in wax hands, and even sand art."

Danielle Perfetti, a sophomore who assisted with Friday night's events, agreed that Lil Sibs seemed to be a good time for all ages.

"If someone thinks that the *Tarzan* theme was too young, that's a shame," Perfetti said. "We're college students, and a lot of us still have Disney movies. There were a lot of events that I think the teenagers could have enjoyed."

Sophomore Kate McKenzie disagreed.

"My sister's nineteen, so what am I supposed to do with her? Go see *The Jungle Book*?" McKenzie remarked. "I think about the only thing for siblings her age to do is go to a fraternity party or something."

Because McKenzie's opinion is not

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## Dancers feature wide variety of acts

By Adriann Popovich  
STAFF WRITER

This year's annual Dance Theatre Spring Concert was held March 23-25. With shows taking place Thursday and Friday nights at 8:00 p.m. and a Saturday matinee at 2:00 p.m., the members of Dance Theatre were kept on their toes last week with performances and practice.

This year's concert featured several dance numbers, which were performed and choreographed by Westminster students and one number featuring guest choreographers from two local high schools. The choreographers and dancers were chosen through an audition process and every member of the program dances in the opening and closing numbers.

Several genres of dance were performed at this year's show such as tap, jazz, ballet, lyri-

cal, modern and hip-hop. The dancers got funky with Lenny Kravitz's "American Woman," did some hip shakin' and toe tapping to Ricky Martin's "Shake Your Bon Bon" and got down to Lil' Kim's "Ladies Night," not to mention the many other numbers performed.

The spring concert this year also featured special performances. One number was a percussion piece performed by four boys from New Castle and Neshannock high schools. The boys used cups and their bodies as drums to perform an entertaining piece that was a little different from the other numbers featured in the show.

Kristianne Kalata, dance theater president and senior English major, combined her love for dance and literature in her senior project.

For the creative part of her project, Kalata

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Photo by Courtney Behm

The Dance Theatre presentation also featured guest performers from New Castle and Neshannock high schools.

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**Saturday:**  
Mostly  
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low 40°

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# CAMPUS NEWS

## New SGA slate plans to make improvements to Homecoming

By Chrissy DiCicco  
STAFF WRITER

The votes are in and the ballots have been tallied. The students of Westminster College have selected the 2000-01 Student Government Association officers.

Danyelle Muscarella, the new SGA president, and her new slate include Shawn Martina, vice president; Jeff Kovacs, treasurer; Marissa Grano, secretary; Kylene Adams, academic affairs; Dana Glunt, campus programming committee; Chad Taylor, Down Under; Justin Young, finance; David Boyle, judicial affairs; Lindsey Braem, public relations and Anne Poland, special events.

Junior Inga Laurent was on the original slate but had to decline because she was approved to study abroad next year. The slate has confidence that Braem will do a fine job filling the position.

"We are excited about our new addition. Lindsey is a great - she is good at what she

does. Her public relations and graphics design background, as well as her leadership experience will be an asset to our public relations efforts," Grano said.

The slate agrees that public relations is a key area for the future of SGA.

"The only way we can recruit new members and invite the campus to get involved in our activities is keep people informed," Muscarella said.

A website is in the works. Information on SGA programs and events, as well as meeting minutes will be made accessible.

The officers are excited about their new responsibilities and have already started working. Last weekend, the group traveled to Pittsburgh, PA and stayed at the Embassy Suites Hotels for a weekend of intense training.

"One thing that Danyelle did was design a new training program that would better educate and prepare officers for their responsibilities," Adams added.

Officers were trained by the old slate and went over goals and expectations for the coming year. Back on campus, the new officers participated in Titan Traverse.

"We felt really good after this weekend. The important thing is that we learned a lot about each other. We will need to work together as a team - that means knowing and trusting one another," Muscarella added.

The underlying goal is to make SGA important to not only the senators involved, but the Westminster College campus.

"SGA is an important organization. We want our senators to be there to help make decisions regarding academics, athletic, and extracurricular activities," Adams said.

At least one senator is a member of each faculty and student committee. They are able to vote on various forums, changes or any other programs affecting the campus community. Muscarella emphasized the need for sincere dedication and good attendance. She believes their slate will help carry out these

ideas.

Muscarella also discussed improving Homecoming. Ideas include an all day carnival approach with dunking booths, pie throwing contest as well as old favorites like the powder puff game.

SGA sponsored student trips and plan to organize trips to The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, The Pittsburgh Ballet's presentation of The Nutcracker and a Pittsburgh Steeler game. The slate wants to plan trips that interest a larger number of students.

Student and faculty are welcome to attend meetings and discuss issues or present ideas. Visitors, however, are not eligible to vote. Meeting will resume next year at 7 p.m. every Wednesday in the TCF lecture hall. Students can also contact officers or members box 167 or at EXT. 6305. The SGA office is located on the top of the TUB. Office hours vary.

## Waun explores church views on homosexuality

By Tricia Spargal  
STAFF WRITER

Maureen Waun, reverend and author, joined many faculty members and students last Tuesday night at the Diversity Symposium, "More Than Welcome."

The symposium, co-sponsored by Allies, was designed as an interactive workshop to explore the relationship between the church, spirituality and the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered community.

The audience was asked to address what they were taught about gays while growing up, the role of churches and if sexuality is a choice.

Students sat at tables with discussion leaders from Allies. Junior member Nate Sizemore announced the ground rules preceding the discussion.

"Since this is a touchy subject, it is very important for everyone to be sensitive to each other," he said. "Respect everyone and their thoughts."

Waun then began her lecture by expressing her appreciation of the title Diversity Symposium. "It shows that Westminster acknowledges that diversity exists," she said.

She continued by telling various stories of her life and experience. She compared her hometown, Romeo, Mich. to New Wilmington. "It was very small and the were no differences between people that were recognized, let alone talked about."

It was not until her mid-30's that Waun had to address differences in sexuality. At this time, she was in the seminary to become a minister. She was required to take a scripture passage and make an ethical argument from it.

She thought she was picking an easy topic,

Genesis on creation to prove that homosexuality is a sin. "They say it's Adam and Eve, not Adam and Steve," she said. Using this reasoning, she wrote her paper.

Her professor showed her that using this type of reasoning, things such as wearing earrings and playing football would also be considered sinful.

"I learned that responsible Christian people can disagree on scripture," Waun said.

In a different course in seminary, she chose the topic "Ordination of Homosexuals," which was then considered the hot topic of the day. To research her debate, she visited a gay student and was initially terrified to meet him. He told her his story, which included being banished from his church and waking up to see a derogative name scratched into his car by someone at the seminary.

It was his story that got Waun's attention. She was angry, and realized that "people need to meet different people in order for ideas to move out of their minds and into their hearts."

After her time in the seminary, Waun moved to a church in Shadyside, a community where the gay population was quite large. She opened the church doors to them and got to know them and their stories. She met a man with AIDS who had been banished by his family and church when he came out. He had been so scared his whole life, he married a woman and had two children.

Waun offered to become a mother figure to him, and he became an accepted member of the church. She learned a lot from him. He took her out to experience the gay night scene, which included an old warehouse with mattresses on which gays could engage in promiscuous sex.

"Where is the church?" she thought.

"Instead of offering alternatives to help people, they (the churches) judge."

She went on to march in the Gay Pride Parade in Pittsburgh, where she distributed fliers to start a gay social group at her church. Some of the people she had approached were thankful, and some were angry. The majority were just shocked that any church would associate with them.

She held an informational night at the church, which was not received well by all of its members, for any gay group to come.

"I wanted the church to see why I did all of this. Stories were shared," she said. "I wanted them to realize that people do not choose to be gay."

She then took numerous questions from the audience.

"I was surprised by the number of students who were willing to share their thoughts," said senior Jennifer Gales.

Waun also held a book signing after the event. Her book *More Than Welcome: Learning to Embrace Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgendered Persons in the Church*, is not only a challenge to the mainstream Christian Church, but has also won the Publisher's Choice Award.

"I hope Allies can continue to bring this type of event to campus," Sizemore said. "Not to preach, but just to expose campus to different things and people, and hopefully educate them enough to think for themselves."

Allies is a campus organization that seeks to educate and promote awareness about different sexual lifestyles and to provide an open, supportive discussion group. Meetings are held Tuesday at 5:30 in Patterson 114. All are welcome.

## Greek Week adds three new events

By Luke Schuster  
STAFF WRITER

As the school year comes to a close, many Westminster students prepare for a hectic finals period. But, for members of the Greek community, one week is set aside from the chaos.

Greek week, scheduled for April 3-7, will feature three new events: basketball, softball and a triathlon. The triathlon will consist of a mile swimming event, a mile bicycle race and a mile run.

"It is by far going to be the hardest event during the week," sophomore Sigma Phi Epsilon member Andrew Rudloff said.

Greek week will also feature classic events like kickball, football and of course the Greek feud, which tests sorority and fraternity members knowledge of the Greek system.

The last event of the week is the Sing and Swing dance competition.

"Sing and Swing is by far the most competitive event of the week. It is by far the most coveted event to win," sophomore Lucas Bell said.

This year's theme for Sing and Swing is musicals.

"The musical theme will create more of a stage production than in previous years," TR Hileman, Greek Week chair said. "It should be very interesting to see what the fraternities and sororities think up."

"The Inner Fraternity Council has been working hard preparing for Greek Week and hopefully, the end result will be one of the most fun and successful Greek Weeks ever," Hileman said.

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performed a solo representing her interpretation of Shakespeare's sonnet 154.

This year's dance theatre consists of thirty-four girls who have worked since September to put the concert together. During the first semester, the girls had practice one night a week to work on basic dance technique. At the beginning of the second semester the dancers' schedules became busier with separate practices for each additional number they

choose to dance in.

Gina Sharbaugh, artistic director of the program said, "The girls who are involved take it very seriously. I'm always impressed with their commitment."

According to Sharbaugh, commitment is a big part of the program. Not only do the dancers have practice every week to prepare for the spring concert they also attend workshops in Pittsburgh and occasionally conduct

dance lectures at local elementary schools.

Sharbaugh has been director of Dance Theatre for thirteen years and has seen girls with various levels of experience participate.

"These girls have a true passion for dance and don't want to give it up, that's what the program is all about," Sharbaugh said.

Freshman, Krissy Arena has been dancing for fourteen years and had an opportunity to dance in two numbers in addition to the open-

er and closer of this years concert. Arena feels the program is a great way to continue her participation in the sport and meet people who share her love for dance.

"Even if you're not an experienced dancer it is still a good way to learn about dance, meet people and stay in shape."

Dance Theatre will begin a new season in the fall of 2000, so those interested should watch for announcements on campus.



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Photo by Courtney Behm  
Freshman Alan Eargle and brother Sam McCalla  
create sand art.

uncommon among Westminster students, last week's *Holcad* editorial suggested that CPC survey students in the fall before the organization began planning the weekend's events. The survey would determine the ages of younger siblings that are likely to attend, and the information could be used to tailor events to specific age groups.

While handing out surveys might actually be beneficial, the actuality of it ever happening is unlikely.

"I know how hard it is to make up a survey and get students to respond," Hawthorne said. "If the *Holcad* wants to do one, they can try it."

Any decisions on whether or not changes will be made to the weekend or its planning are unclear right now, according to Hawthorne. But she added that CPC meetings on

Wednesday nights at 8:30 in TUB A/B are open to any students who wish to voice comments or ideas.

Anyone interested in helping to plan, organize, and direct Lil Sibs Weekend should be aware that CPC recruits members in the fall, then begins planning the weekend shortly after.

"It's work, but it's also fun to do these things," Hawthorne said. "You get to talk to people and see all the parents, students, and the sibs. I had a great time."

"It's very refreshing to have little kids on the campus and to be around them," Perfetti said. "I think a lot of people would agree that it just puts a smile on your face."

## CORRECTIONS

Though the *Holcad* tries to get all the information right the first time, sometimes mistakes are made. We apologize to the readers and encourage challenges of information to be sent to The *Holcad*, Westminster College, Box 157, New Wilmington, PA 16172-0001.

From the March 24, 2000 edition  
Sports Section-page 8

Last week's headline for the baseball team read "Baseball team claims first GLIAC victory in school history." In fact, last season the men's team did have three GLIAC wins for an overall record of 3-27. The corrected statement should read that it was their first win this season.

## Distinguished Faculty Award 2000

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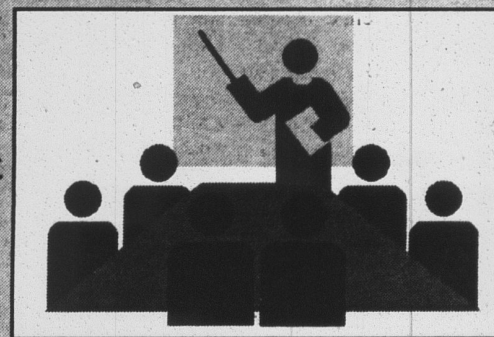
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Submit nominations in the form of a supporting letter to Dean John Deegan, Jr., by Friday -- April 14, 2000.

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## "Experience and Enthusiasm"



## FEATURE

### April Fool's Day origin debated, continues to be day of pranks

By EJ Campbell  
STAFF WRITER

The faculty and administration announced yesterday that finals will be abolished beginning this semester. Instead, the time will be filled with weeklong parties sponsored by the faculty.

April Fool's!

Tomorrow, April 1st, is April Fool's Day, a holiday dating back to the sixteenth-century. However, it appears that no one is truly sure how it originated.

According to the United States Embassy's webpage, "In sixteenth-century France, the start of the new year was observed on April first. Then in 1562, Pope Gregory introduced a new calendar for the Christian world, and the new year fell on January first."

"There were some people, however, who hadn't heard or didn't believe the change in the date, so they continued to celebrate New

Year's Day on April first. Others played tricks on them and called them 'April fools,'" the U.S. Embassy stated.

The *Nando Times* reports a different origin. "April Fool's Day is thought to date back as far as the Roman Empire and may stem from the festival of Cerialia. In Roman legend, Pluto carried Proserpina off from the Elysian meadows, leaving her mother Ceres on a fools errand, chasing only the echo of her daughter's plea for help," the *Nando Times* website stated.

Students on campus have humorous accounts of past April Fool's Days.

"When I was in high school, I was on the swim team. After one of our meets I went to take a shower, and afterwards I noticed my towel was missing. It turned out my friends had taken it as an April Fool's prank. I had to leave the shower with the curtain wrapped around me. I was furious, but now that I look back on it, it was pretty funny," sophomore Jaime Seemiller said.

Sophomore Jennifer Moberg also had an amusing April Fool's Day story.

"When my friend Steven was in college he had a friend who everyone terrorized. The day before April Fool's Day, Steven duck taped the entire doorway to his friend's dorm room so when he opened the door he had to break through layers of duck tape. The next day, Steven and his friends placed shrink-wrap soaked in Vaseline on the doorway to the room. When his friend went through the door he was covered in Vaseline and the shrink wrap stuck to him!" Moberg said.

Not everyone has pranks planned for the holiday this year. "I have no plans, however, my children may, and they might involve me!" said Dr. Virginia Tomlinson of the Sociology department.

April Fool's jokes have also been used on a national level, such as Taco Bell's prank in 1996. The Associated Press stated, "In an April Fools' Day joke, the fast-food chain took out full-page ads in eight newspapers

announcing that it had purchased America's symbol of freedom to help shrink the federal debt. The (Liberty) Bell will henceforth be called, the ads said, the Taco Liberty Bell."

Yet, not all practical jokes have ended up in laughter.

"Some April Fool gags have backfired. A newspaper in southwestern France was deluged with angry phone calls after it announced that the city of Montauban had agreed to build a shelter for British cattle suffering from mad cow disease. New Zealand police and commuters were angered when a group of killer whales stranded near Wellington's inter-island ferry terminal, which brought traffic to a halt, turned out to be rubber dorsal fins attached to wooden blocks," Nando stated.

American humorist, Mark Twain, summed up April Fool's Day as: "the first of April is the day we remember what we are the other 364 days of the year."

### Lenten season time of focus on Christ before Easter Sunday

By Lindsey Braem  
STAFF WRITER

With the turn of the century, Mardi Gras became a popular destination for many Spring Breakers this year. The so-called "World's Biggest Party," though famed for the non-stop partying as well as excessive underage drinking, actually has religious roots in the church's celebration of Lent.

Lent, a word that's Latin roots mean "fortieth day," is a season of soul-searching and repentance. It is the time for Christians to reflect upon their lives throughout the past year.

Lent originated in the earliest days of the Church as a preparatory time for Easter. Observing the forty days of Lent is the Christian chance to imitate Jesus' withdrawal into the wilderness for forty days.

In the Western Church, Lent always begins on Ash Wednesday, the seventh Wednesday before Easter.

In many countries, the last day before Lent is referred to as Mardi Gras, Shrove Tuesday or Carnival. These events have become a "last fling" before the solemnity of Lent.

For centuries, it was customary to fast by abstaining from meat during Lent, which is why some people call the festival Carnival,

which is Latin for "farewell to meat."

Now that the church has become more lenient, most religious groups follow a level of fasting that only requires abstinence from meat on Fridays. This is one of the sacrifices that Christians can make in order to become closer to Christ.

Another way of becoming closer to Christ during this religious celebration is to "imitate Christ." There is an emphasis on giving up something or improving on a bad habit.

Examples of this on campus include people who have been trying to quit smoking or drinking, have given up candy, or no longer eat dessert in the cafeteria. Although these are all beneficial, there are other ways of becoming closer to God during this time.

Rather than finding something to cut out of your life, you might want to think about adding something that will not only help you but also those around you.

Find a local nursing home to volunteer at, have an overall better attitude toward life, or even try praying more.

You might find that this year's Easter will not only bring you colored eggs and jelly beans, but it might also bring you a better self-image as well as stronger relationship with God.



## BYTES & PCs



### Students connect: TitanNet made easy

Connecting student PCs to Westminster's TitanNet last fall took too long for many students. During the fall and spring terms the Information Systems staff, along with student representatives and faculty members have been hammering out plans for a new procedure.

The pilot program for students to self-connect to the network was very successful in the fall of 1999. Responses from a survey of the 50 participants in the pilot program showed a 98 percent positive experience. Students who followed the directions for installing the Novell network client were generally satisfied with their installation. It was faster than waiting for the College vendor to schedule an appointment and in most cases avoided the hassle of taking a PC to Hoyt Science Center and lugging it back to the residence hall. Therefore that program will be modified, updated and expanded for the fall 2000 term. Anyone participating in the self-connect program will be required to purchase a Self-Install Kit from the College Bookstore. Watch your e-mail and this column in the Holcad for more information soon.

Students must realize that those who try but fail to connect their PCs to TitanNet themselves may have to contact the college vendor and pay for them to install the Novell network client and correct whatever problems have occurred in the aborted self-connect process. The vendor may take longer to schedule an appointment for these people because of the short notice given and other appointments for students already in their queue.

Another source of help may be students who complete a short training course with Information Systems staff and who are willing to assist. A list of these students will be made available with the Self-Install Kit. If you are interested in being trained in installing the network software, you may contact Jeff Knapton in Hoyt 167 or at extension 6282.

If your PC has or has had America On-Line installed on it, you will not be eligible to participate in the self-connect program unless you completely reload your PC from scratch. Simply uninstalling America On-Line is NOT enough, as it is all but impossible to remove it completely. Since America On-Line is an Internet Service Provider, it will only duplicate the capabilities of TitanNet. Having the two connections installed on your PC at the same time will cause problems. Read the "Bytes & PCs" column in the February 11 issue of Holcad for more details.

Another improvement in the reconnect process will be the possibility to schedule an appointment with the college vendor to connect your PC as early as August 1. Students coming early to campus for band camp, football camp, Fresh Start and other activities will be able to connect when they arrive. They can start accessing TitanNet from their PCs as soon as they complete the connection process if they are living in their assigned residence hall room for the fall term.

As before, students must have computers that meet the minimum requirements. These will be posted on Westminster's home page. Also, any PC connected to TitanNet will be required to have virus protection. A college-owned license for Norton Anti-Virus software with automatic live-update for virus signatures will be available to all students as an upgrade to their installed anti-virus program. As in the past, only computers with 3COM network interface cards for desktop PCs and Xircom network cards for laptops will be allowed to connect to TitanNet.

Getting connected to TitanNet and the Internet for the 2000-01 school year should be faster, simpler and more streamlined than ever.

- ? a) Depression is a bunch of symptoms exhibited by weak people.
- b) Depression is an unbearable suppression of brain activity that can strike anyone.

Straightening out all the misconceptions, the correct answer is 'b'. It's a concept we should all understand and remember, and here's why. Depression strikes millions of young adults, but only 1 out of 5 ever seeks treatment for it. Too many just drag themselves along or eventually seek relief through suicide. Why not treatment? Partly lack of awareness. Partly the unwarranted negative stigma. This is what needs fixing. This is where we need you to change your attitudes. It's an illness, not a weakness. And it's readily treatable. Spreading the word and making this common knowledge is everybody's assignment.

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# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### No residents reported injured in North Side five-alarm fire

By Michael Hasch  
TRIBUNE-REVIEW

When Sager McDill and another man began pounding on doors at her North Side apartment complex late Saturday night, Kristen Helvig figured they were just a couple of drunks and tried to ignore them.

But as she lay in bed in her darkened garden-style apartment, trying to fall asleep, she saw an orange flickering glow on her walls and realized something was wrong.

None of the approximately 70 residents were hurt in a five-alarm fire at the Village in

the Park apartment complex. City firefighters said the evacuation of the building was well under way by the time they arrived.

Two firefighters suffered muscle injuries and were taken to Allegheny General Hospital, North Side, where they were released following treatment, deputy Pittsburgh fire Chief John Gourley said.

By the time the fire was extinguished early Sunday, about 10 apartments in the complex off Marshall Road had either been destroyed or damaged by the flames and another 10 had sustained smoke and water damage, fire officials said.

About 11:15 p.m. Saturday, a resident in the 40-unit building called emergency officials to say his balcony was on fire, firefighters said.

Residents said there are no sprinklers in the wooden structure and firefighters said high winds quickly whipped the flames from apartment to apartment.

In addition, the complex is built on a steep hillside and firefighters couldn't get their equipment around back where the flames were the thickest.

Because the only road to the complex was clogged with fire hoses, most firefighters had

to walk a distance carrying tools and equipment to fight the blaze.

Red Cross volunteers used a Port Authority of Allegheny County bus to take about two dozen people to a nearby fire station, where they were given food and clothing.

Red Cross officials said yesterday they were providing temporary shelter to 27 people.

Fire officials said they aren't exactly sure what started the fire but believe it was accidental.

### Fifth and Fobes plans creating debate among club owners

By Christopher Keough  
TRIBUNE-REVIEW

Robin Fernandez is at wits' end about this Fifth and Forbes thing.

The owner of a trio of popular Pittsburgh night spots, Fernandez said he's happy someone finally has a plan to breathe life back into Downtown. The problem, he said, is the city wants to use his money but not let him participate.

"I think it's wonderful that a developer of this magnitude is interested in Pittsburgh," Fernandez said recently from a sofa of Rosebud in the Strip District. "I just don't understand why they can't do it on their own and why our tax dollars will subsidize competition."

Mayor Tom Murphy has proposed spending more than \$100 million of public money in the \$480.5 million plan to retool the heart of

the Downtown business district.

The Market Place at Fifth & Forbes plan entails the city buying 62 Downtown properties, demolishing most and selling the land to Chicago-based Urban Retail Properties Co. The developer would build new space and lease it to national retailers and entertainment interests.

The future of the plan is uncertain, given the public outcry and City Council's reluctance to approve the plan on the table now. But any development that would come into the Golden Triangle would be a contender to get some sort of tax break.

Taxes aren't the only aspect of the plan bugging Fernandez. He and others who make a living on local nightlife wonder how new entertainment venues Downtown would affect the local entertainment market - and their bottom lines.

Some of Pittsburgh's nightclub operators

and promoters feel threatened by Urban Retail's pursuit of House of Blues. The national chain runs seven clubs in markets much larger than Pittsburgh, including Las Vegas, Los Angeles, New Orleans and Chicago.

Last fall, House of Blues Entertainment Inc. bought Universal Concerts Inc., which enhanced its booking power. Director of Publicity Ann Wills said the company is exploring potential markets, but there are no plans to locate in Pittsburgh. However, Tom Cox, executive secretary to Mayor Tom Murphy, said House of Blues remains a potential tenant for the revamped Forbes Avenue.

"They've got deeper pockets, a lot more clout and there's a lot of politics in Hollywood," said John Rinaldo, whose Joker Productions books shows mostly at Club Laga in Oakland.

"I couldn't even compete with House of Blues. It's hard to compete with a company that's overly funded," Fernandez said. "If House of Blues came to town, they would compete with me not only on a club level, but on a live performance level. If my tax dollars were going to support that, you'd bet I'd be upset."

But local concert promoter Mike Elko said the local scene is established enough that people such as Fernandez would survive.

It's not that the local club owners have a huge problem with House of Blues itself. Their problem is with what House of Blues represents to them: the city's abandonment of local merchants who have faithfully contributed to Pittsburgh's coffers in favor of national names with no ties to the area who will be direct competitors.

## The Region In Brief

### Edinboro confirms meningitis case

An Edinboro University student was listed in fair condition Saturday at Hamot Medical Center in Erie with meningococcal meningitis. A spokeswoman at the school's Ghering Health Center said the female student was diagnosed after complaining of a fever, rash, severe headache and stiff neck Wednesday night. The spokeswoman said most cases of meningococcal meningitis are isolated, sporadic and a bit rare. The health center's staff has seen about 50 people who had contact with the student, but none has been diagnosed with meningitis. Neither she nor a Hamot Medical Center nursing supervisor would give the student's name, age or hometown.

### Wind carries fire; home set ablaze

A gust of wind Saturday blew a trash fire into a home and set it on fire, Pulaski Township fire officials said. Around 1 p.m., two relatives of Marion Harrison were burning trash in a barrel behind her home on 41st

Street. They abandoned the fire site to get a beverage inside when "they heard the fire enter the house," said Larry Margetic, assistant chief of the Pulaski Township Volunteer Fire Department. Harrison and three others escaped without injury. A firefighter suffered a back injury, and another was treated for asthma. The house was a "total loss," Margetic said.

### Ohio driver hurt in turnpike crash

An Ohio man was in fair condition Saturday after a crash on the Pennsylvania Turnpike in New Sewickley Township. Paul R. Urban, 41, of Akron, was flown to Mercy Hospital, Uptown, after the tractor-trailer he was driving crashed into another tractor-trailer before hitting a guardrail, according to state police. The other operator was not severely hurt.

### Congressman visits city to back Klink

U.S. Rep. John Conyers, a Democrat from

Michigan who helped found the Congressional Black Caucus after arriving in the House in 1964, campaigned Saturday for colleague Rep. Ron Klink in his bid for the U.S. Senate. Klink, of Murrysville, Westmoreland County, is seeking the Democratic Party's nomination to challenge Republican incumbent Sen. Rick Santorum of Penn Hills. Conyers, a senior Democrat on the House Judiciary Committee, met Klink, members of the city's black community and City Councilman Sala Udin at Dowe's Restaurant, Downtown.

### Donora man jailed on drug charges

A Washington County man is in that county's jail in lieu of \$25,000 bond on charges of possession of a controlled substance, possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance and receiving stolen property. State police said they and Donora officers arrested Jeffrey "Squeak" Harris, in his late 20s, Saturday morning at his Donora residence. Police said they recovered cocaine, marijuana, drug-related paraphernalia, a stolen .38-

caliber revolver and about \$1,400 in cash. Harris also was charged with being a former convict not allowed to possess a weapon. He was arraigned before District Justice Marjorie Teagarden.

### Driver faces charges in fatal accident

A Somerset County coal-truck driver faces multiple charges in connection with a fatal accident that left a car crushed to half its normal size. Jeffrey R. Knotter, 29, of Markleton, is accused of driving through a stop sign in Meyersdale on Nov. 19 and smashing into a car driven by Larry Hilliard, 29, of Garrett, also Somerset County. Hilliard died an hour later. Knotter is charged with aggravated assault, homicide by vehicle, involuntary manslaughter, reckless driving, accidents involving overturned vehicles, careless driving and failing to obey a stop sign.



## NATIONAL

## Teacher accused of strangling her sons sentenced to two life terms

DALLAS (AP) - A second-grade teacher accused of strangling her two young sons pleaded guilty Monday and was immediately sentenced to two concurrent life terms, avoiding a trial and possible death penalty.

Lisa Marie Smith, 31, entered her plea to two counts of capital murder in the deaths of William Cody Smith, 5, and Tristen Thomas Smith, 3.

"She's fearful, but she's thankful they aren't seeking the death penalty," said Jim

Moore, her attorney. "She said that 'No matter what they do to me, I have to live with this the rest of my life.'"

Smith spoke softly and cried as she addressed state District Judge Manny Alvarez.

She will be eligible for parole in 40 years.

Police say Smith, distraught because she had lost custody of her sons to her former husband, strangled the boys after they opened their Christmas presents on Dec. 26. Two

days later, she tried to kill herself by cutting her wrist and releasing natural gas into the house, sparking a fire. It was after the fire that the boys' deaths were discovered.

According to a police statement, Smith said: "I killed my sons. There. I hate their father. He had to pay."

The state decided to accept the plea agreement because of evidence of Smith's psychological state at the time of the slayings and because her ex-husband's family didn't want

to go to trial, said Jason January, an assistant district attorney.

"I prayed to God every night and every morning that he'd settle this in hurry," said Brit Smith, Smith's former husband, who cried as he talked to reporters.

Asked if he could forgive his ex-wife, he said: "In the Bible it says I'm supposed to. Right now, the hurt is not allowing me to do that."

## The Nation In Brief

## Elian's U.S. kin meet deadline

HAVANA - Elian Gonzalez's U.S. relatives met a deadline Monday in their fight to retain custody of the boy, agreeing to a fast-tracked appeals route sought by the Clinton administration. The relatives were obligated to accept the quicker legal pace unless they were willing to allow the Immigration and Naturalization Service to return the boy immediately to Cuba. The ultimatum was offered by the government in the wake of a court ruling last week that put Elian's fate in the hands of Attorney General Janet Reno. Meanwhile, Elian said in a TV interview aired Monday that he believes his mother, who died trying to bring him to the United States, is still alive.

## Fla. jury to consider cost of cancer

MIAMI - In a case that could come to a close with a record jury award worth more than Big Tobacco, a six-member panel will begin hearing closing arguments Monday before deciding on compensatory damages for three smokers acting as representatives of an estimated 500,000 sick Florida smokers in a class-action lawsuit. The same jury last July agreed with smokers that the nation's five biggest cigarette makers fraudulently conspired to make a dangerous and defective product. Tobacco is afraid this decision will lead to more testimony and the award of punitive damages for the group of 500,000, which could total more than the billions of dollars the industry is worth.

## Kidnapping victim trying for 'normal' life

GAINESVILLE, Fla. - More than two weeks have passed since 10-year-old Jessica Rodriguez was held captive for three days, but returning to a "normal" life in Trenton is still difficult for Jessica and her family. Since being set free March 9 at a Gainesville Wal-Mart, family members say Jessica has begun counseling and is happy to be home again. However, Patty Wetterling, who founded an advocacy group for kidnap victims and their families, says that overwhelming attention and guilt about demanding privacy are potential complications for victims returning home. Jessica's suspected kidnapper, James Paul Johnson, 38, is being held on \$1 million bail and has been on suicide watch since March 16, when he checked in to a mental hospital as police closed in.

## Aide to Chicago mayor resigns

CHICAGO - A top aide to Mayor Richard Daley has resigned after admitting he arranged interest-free loans from a politically connected developer. Terry Teele, who was the mayor's first deputy chief of staff, resigned Sunday, two days after admitting he arranged loans totaling \$10,500 from developer Oscar D'Angelo for himself and his brother. Teele said he arranged two loans, totaling \$7,500, to help his brother with a divorce, and received a \$3,000 loan for himself to remodel his house. Teele insists he did no favors for D'Angelo, a friend of Daley's, in exchange for the money.

## Former captive wants reward for 911 call

DUNDALK, Md. - One man thinks he should receive the \$10,000 reward for information leading to the capture of Joseph Palczynski, who held police at bay for several days last week by taking hostages in a local home. Andy McCord, one of Palczynski's three former captives, had called 911 as the suspect was barging into his home March 17, setting the final stage in Palczynski's crime spree, which allegedly included four killings. A Baltimore County police spokesman says McCord is not eligible for the reward because Palczynski was killed at the end of the hostage crisis and because McCord never contacted Metro Crime Stoppers, the unit that oversees the reward and a tip line.

## Government rejects Microsoft offer

WASHINGTON - Government lawyers have concluded that an 11th-hour offer by the Microsoft to settle its antitrust case was inadequate, and they are preparing for the trial judge to deliver his verdict Tuesday, sources close to the lawsuit say. These sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, expressed skepticism Sunday that any late settlement would be successful, despite the four months of efforts by a federal appeals judge acting as mediator in Chicago. U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson, who has signaled that he will rule strongly against Microsoft, earlier told lawyers in a private meeting that he will deliver his ruling Tuesday unless there is progress in the settlement talks.

## 2 injured in TV helicopter crash

LOS ANGELES - A television helicopter

left its Oscar hovering spot and crashed in a ball of fire Sunday night, injuring a pilot and cameraman. The crash occurred just after 10 p.m. in a helicopter landing area at Van Nuys Airport about 15 miles northwest of the Shrine Auditorium, where the Academy Awards had finished about 30 minutes before. The pilot, a 28-year-old woman, and the photographer, a 40-year-old man, were taken to Northridge Medical Center, said city fire spokesman Brian Humphrey. The pilot was seriously hurt with a broken wrist, broken leg, possibly fractured pelvis and possible concussion. The photographer had a possible broken leg and cuts to his face, Humphrey said. The helicopter belonged to KTTV-TV in Los Angeles, a Fox affiliate.

## Seattle bids goodbye to the Kingdome

SEATTLE - On Sunday, demolition experts did to the Seattle Kingdome what a lot of sports fans have wanted to do for a long time: blew it to pieces. The leaden-looking domed stadium with all the charm of a parking garage was brought down with explosives in what will be an excuse for parties around Seattle. Wrapped with 21.6 miles of detonation cord and drilled with 5,800 holes filled with gelatin dynamite, the Kingdome collapsed into a mountain of rubble up to 70 feet high. The Kingdome has been called the concrete blister, the mushroom, the fire hydrant and the juicer. The Mariners' new \$517 million ballpark, Safeco Field, which has real grass and a retractable roof, opened last July.

## Yosemite to tackle traffic, crowding

Federal officials will announce Monday an ambitious plan to make Yosemite National Park less gridlocked and more ecologically friendly, in one of the most far-reaching overhauls ever proposed for a national park, park officials and environmentalists say. The plan calls for ripping out roads, discouraging cars, building a visitors' center and restoring land in Yosemite Valley, the park's centerpiece. The proposal could cost up to \$343 million and take a decade to implement. Yosemite Valley boasts such world-famous features as Yosemite Falls and Bridalveil Fall and the massive peaks of Half Dome and El Capitan. But the placement and basic design of visitor facilities in the valley date back to the 1920s or earlier.

## USA recycling but garbage piling up

WASHINGTON - Americans are recy-

cling trash in record amounts but also are creating more and more waste that is not being reused, says a report released Sunday by the non-profit GrassRoots Recycling Network. Recycling kept 28% of municipal waste out of landfills and incinerators in 1997, the report says. It is based on the latest available data from the Environmental Protection Agency. That record recycling rate is triple that of 1980. But at the same time, the amount of trash in garbage cans at homes and offices increased by 4.4 million tons - or 6% - from 1996 to 1997, the report says, while recycling leveled off, increasing just 1% during that period.

## Youths march to protest hate crimes

ATLANTA - Martin Luther King III, son of the slain civil rights leader, told about 750 youths gathered at his father's crypt Sunday that it's time to protect people who are being targeted because of their race, religion or sexual orientation. King, speaking at the fountain at the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial, reminded the crowd that young people have been crucial to every civil rights campaign of the last 50 years. Hundreds came from across the country and Canada to attend the march. Many spent the day at an all-day summit dedicated to preventing hate crimes, which was sponsored by the Atlanta-based Center for Democratic Renewal. The summit and march were part of a four-day event sponsored by the National Crime Prevention Council and Youth Crime Watch of America.

## US Airways, union reach agreement

WASHINGTON - US Airways flights are running on schedule after the airline and its Association of Flight Attendants union reached a contract agreement Saturday morning, averting a threatened shutdown. The agreement came more than three hours after a 12:01 a.m. deadline, which the airline and the union agreed to suspend and keep talking. Union officer Lynn Lenosky emerged from a downtown Washington, D.C., hotel at about 3:30 a.m. to tell a crowd of about 60 cheering union members that they had a five-year contract that "flight attendants can be proud of." The 10,000 members of the US Airways union chapter get raises estimated at 11% over the five years, their first holiday pay and their first lump-sum payment for signing a contract. The union contract must still be approved by members.



## INTERNATIONAL

## Vladimir Putin victorious in Russia's presidential election

MOSCOW, Monday, March 27 — Acting President Vladimir V. Putin won a narrow majority of the vote today in Russia's presidential election, gaining the outright victory that the Kremlin had pursued with growing desperation to avoid a runoff next month.

Although Mr. Putin's anticlimactic triumph was huge in absolute terms, some 20 percentage points ahead of his closest rival, the Communist leader Gennadi A. Zyuganov, it appeared likely to fall considerably short of expectations.

With nearly 95 percent of the ballots counted today, Mr. Putin had captured 52.52 percent of the vote, compared with 29.44 percent for Mr. Zyuganov.

The head of the liberal Yabloko party, the legislator Grigory V. Yavlinsky, was in a remote third place with 5.85 percent. Nearly 69 percent of voters turned out to cast their ballots.

The final pre-election polls, published a week before the Sunday voting, indicated then that Mr. Putin was backed by as many as 57 percent of respondents who said they intended to vote.

In a post-midnight news conference, Mr. Putin seemed to give a nod to the narrowness of his majority, noting that with a potential electorate of 108 million, "even a half-per-

centage point is a huge credit from the population."

More telling, he hinted that he might invite political rivals into government, apparently in an effort to build political support for whatever programs he proposes. Mr. Putin was especially solicitous of Mr. Zyuganov, whose support appeared almost one-fifth greater than pollsters had estimated.

In his news conference, Mr. Putin stated with surprising bluntness that Mr. Zyuganov's showing, especially in the face of a relentlessly hostile government and private press, was a warning that the Kremlin was not adequately addressing the problems of the working class and the poor.

He also offered tributes to his bitter rivals, former Prime Minister Yevgeny M. Primakov and Moscow's mayor, Yuri M. Luzhkov, saying they had helped hold Russia together by supporting the war against separatist rebels in Chechnya.

Whether they or any other outsiders will be brought to the Kremlin "is subject matter for negotiations," Mr. Putin said. But he added, in an allusion to a classic Russian fairy tale, that he would not allow his team to resemble "the notorious troika, where one is pulling into the water, another one backward and the third one to the clouds."



AP File Photo

Russia elected acting-President Vladimir Putin as their next president by a large majority.

## Mass grave uncovers 74 bodies; linked to doomsday group

RUGAZI, Uganda (AP) — Prisoners under armed guard today uncovered 74 bodies from a mass grave hidden at the edge of a sugarcane field, where authorities suspect more members of a doomsday Christian sect remain buried.

Some of the bodies showed signs of stab wounds while some others had pieces of cloth wrapped tightly around their throats. They appeared to have been dead about a month, a local doctor examining them said.

The discovery in Rugazi came as authorities continued investigating the deaths of at least 490 other members of the Movement for the Restoration of the Ten Commandments of God elsewhere in the lush mountains of southwestern Uganda.

The prisoners, with their shirts off and their pants rolled up, wrapped their noses in gauze

and shared cigarettes to ward off the stench of rotting bodies, which drifted for hundreds of yards.

The eight prisoners, released for the day from a local jail, quickly unearthed the decomposed remains of 74 people, including 28 children — some of them babies — and were continuing to dig this afternoon. Bodies buried together, or without coffins, are highly unusual in Africa, where funeral rites are extremely important.

As the twisted, rotting bodies were hoisted from the reddish brown earth, there were no screams of recognition from villagers who pressed against the crude wood fence at the edge of the cane field. The corpses brought up — sect members who came here to attend weeklong or weekend seminars on righteous living and the end of the world — were

strangers from elsewhere in Uganda.

The bodies, some of them dismembered and one visibly pregnant, were laid down and examined for little more than a minute by the local doctor, who dictated notes to a health worker standing by. Prisoners then picked up the bodies and flung them into a nearby trench for reburial.

The cursory examinations came as the Ugandan government announced it had set up a team of investigators to examine the contents of the grave.

The team, which includes chemists, a pathologist and forensic experts, was gathering in Kampala, Uganda's capital, and would be heading into the interior in the next day or so, Eric Naigambi, a police spokesman, said by telephone from Kampala.

After visiting Rugazi, the team was to go to the village of Buhunga, where they will re-

exhume 153 bodies of sect members that were found in two mass graves there, quickly examined by a local doctor, and reburied hours later.

Terenzi Kingera, a regional officer with Uganda's criminal investigation division, said the doctor had been "overwhelmed" by the job, so the corpses needed to be examined again.

A Ugandan legislator, meanwhile, speculated that sect leaders orchestrated the deaths of their followers and then fled.

Senior Ugandan officials have quoted witnesses as saying the sect's two top leaders — Cleodonia Mwerinde, 40, and Joseph Kibwetere, 68 — may have left the village of Kanungu on March 17, the same day a fire in a makeshift sect church there killed 330 members. Those reports are unconfirmed.

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# SPORTS

## NCAA Final Four matchup analysis

Northwestern coach Kevin O'Neill analyzes the NCAA Tournament for CNN.com. Here he breaks down the Final Four matchups. Watch for his contributions from Indianapolis throughout Final Four weekend.

### Michigan State vs. Wisconsin

**The Setup:** I'm sure Wisconsin is preparing as if they're going to win, but I would say this: Wisconsin's players, in the back of their mind, are well aware of the fact that they've lost to them three times, and Michigan State is well aware they've beaten them three times. So I think that mindset will prevail with both those teams once they take the floor, especially if Wisconsin falls behind.

**The breakdown:** You're not going to get easy baskets on Wisconsin, they are going to control the tempo. Michigan State loves to run but will end up playing at the Badgers' tempo. They have the previous three times they played.

Mark Vershaw is the key player for Wisconsin. If Vershaw can score points down low, there's more opportunity for back cuts and front screens. But Michigan State is every bit as solid defensively as Wisconsin is, and can play well enough defensively to beat Wisconsin playing their game. Jon Bryant won't get as many shots as he's been getting because the Spartans simply won't let him.

Whatever happens in the game, I think Wisconsin is playing better than they have all year. I think it's critical Michigan State doesn't fall behind like it has the last couple ballgames, because it's a lot harder to come back against Wisconsin than against other teams.

**The difference-maker:** Mateen Cleaves is always the key player for Michigan State, without question. There's been no kid in the last 10 years that's more the heart and soul of their team than Cleaves. Mike Kelley is as effective a point guard in Wisconsin's system as Cleaves is in Michigan State's, but he's not Cleaves.

### Florida vs. North Carolina

**The Setup:** This is obviously a much more freewheeling game. There is no mismatch on the floor. I think North Carolina's speed and stamina can keep them up in that game for a limited amount of time. The question is whether they can keep up with Florida for 40 minutes.

**The Breakdown:** Billy Donovan has done a great job of developing his bench. His eight, nine and ten spots are better than any in the country. By contrast, Carolina really only played six guys against Tulsa. Right off the top, Florida has so much more depth. I think Florida will get them playing too quickly, their press will speed up the Tar Heels and that will wear down Brendan Haywood. But then again, I'm the same guy who picked Tulsa to beat Carolina.

**The difference-maker:** Mike Miller is Florida's best player. He's improved 100 percent and is a top 10-12 draft pick right now. Had he not made an unbelievably hard shot against Butler, they wouldn't be playing right now. He made another big shot on Sunday with that jumper off the high-screen when Florida was only up seven. It just seems like he's there whenever they need a big bucket.

I could look ahead to a possible Michigan State-Florida final, but let's watch the games first.

## Titans drop five to Saginaw Valley and Geneva

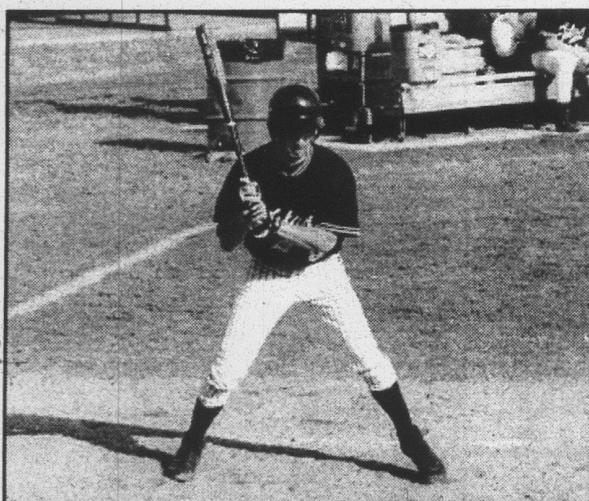


Photo by Courtney Behm  
The men's team faced a disappointing weekend against conference leader Saginaw State University.

By Joe Ruck  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan baseball team saw its record fall to 7-9 overall and 4-5 in the GLIAC last week as it lost five straight games.

Last weekend, the Titans dropped four to visiting Saginaw Valley State University, and then traveled to Geneva on Wednesday, where they suffered another tough loss.

In the first game of the double-header against Saginaw on Saturday, the Cardinals came out with a nine inning 2-1 win over the Titans. Strong pitching by SVSU's Tim Goheen and the Titan's Kevin Culp dominated the first four innings until the fifth inning when both teams scored one run, knotting the game at 1-1.

The tie remained until the top of the ninth when, on a Titan error, Jason Valenzuela crossed the plate for the winning run for the Cardinals.

Both teams were limited to just three hits each. The lone Titan run came from freshman first baseman John Hanlon. Valenzuela led the Cardinals by going 2-for-4 with one run. Culp, whose record fell to 1-1, struck out seven SVSU batters while Goheen struck out five Titans.

Game two proved to be an offensive battle. The Titans began to stumble when SVSU took a 5-1 lead midway through the fourth inning, but the Titans scored two runs in the

bottom of the fourth to close the gap to 5-3.

In the top of the fifth, SVSU's All-American Kraig Enders upped the score to 6-3 after smacking a solo home run. The Titans then answered with a run in the bottom of the inning, making the score 6-4. The Cardinals scored twice more in the top of the seventh, and the Titans were unable to mount a comeback and lost 8-4.

Picking up the victory for SVSU was Ruben Alvarado. Junior hurler Tim Voelp saw his record fall to 1-1. On the offensive end, the Titans were led by junior Kurt Latta, who went 2-for-3 with two RBIs and freshman Scott Nastase, who went 2-for-4 with one run scored.

"We felt we could have won the first game easily," senior Jay Smith said. "It would have been great to upset the conference leaders, but it just seemed to fall apart after that first game."

On the second day of play, SVSU proved why it is the conference leader by beating WC two more times 7-4 and 13-4.

In game one on Sunday, the Cardinals jumped to an early lead by going up 5-1 after the first two innings of play. Going into the seventh inning down 7-2, the Titans tried to mount a comeback. Although the rally fell short, the inning was highlighted by freshman Rob Thompson's first collegiate home run.

Leading the Titans at the plate were Thompson, who went 3-for-4 with three RBIs and freshman B. G. Davison, who went 3-3. Chris Ebright led the Cardinals' powerful offensive performance by going 1-for-3 with a solo home run and two runs scored.

SVSU's Justin Young picked up the 7-4 win on the mound while WC's Brian Zima saw his numbers fall to 3-2.

In the final game of the four-game series, SVSU decided to flex its muscles as it swept the Titans.

The Cardinals quickly took a 2-0 lead in the top of the first inning when Enders hit his second four-bagger of the series. However, in the bottom of the inning, the first four Titan batters scored, and WC led the game 4-2.

The two-run Titan lead would not last long though. In the top of the third inning, SVSU

surged ahead scoring seven runs. The inning was highlighted by Josh Miller's three-run homer.

With a 9-4 lead, the Cardinals would not look back. SVSU's Joel Dohm smacked a three-run home run only to be followed by Miller's second homer of the game. The scoring ended after the back-to-back blasts with SVSU taking the 13-4 victory.

Miller led the way for the Cardinals by going 3-for-4 with two home runs and four RBIs. Pacing the Titans were Davison and Nulph who contributed two hits each. Senior Titan Vic Kaplack found his first loss of the year after only two innings of work. The Cardinals' Andy Ruffner picked up the win for SVSU.

"We were very upset to not come out with any wins over the weekend," Smith said. "But I do think that the after playing a tough team like Saginaw, it will only help us in the future."

The four-game sweep by the Cardinals increased their record to 13-2 overall and 4-0 in the conference.

After recovering from the sweep by SVSU, the Titans turned their attention on Wednesday to the Geneva Golden Tornadoes. The Titans jumped to an early lead when, in the top of the second inning, junior Kurt Latta crushed a solo home run. Geneva took the lead in the bottom of the third inning after racking up four runs.

Westminster then surged ahead in the top of the fourth by scoring four more runs, making the score 5-4 in favor of the Titans. Senior Tom Nulph hit a huge three-run home run to highlight the inning.

Geneva managed to score three more times in the bottom of the inning, two in the fifth, and one sixth which put the score at 10-5. The Titans could not regroup and fell victim to the Golden Tornadoes.

"I think we should have one the game, but we just did not play well," junior Henry Klinar said. "We have to get out of this slump and get back on the winning track."

Freshman Kevin Culp (1-2) picked up his second loss of the season for the Titans. Latta, Nulph, and freshman Matt Pourmarus all contributed with two hits each.

Westminster (7-9) will host Grand Valley State University (8-6) on Saturday. The four-game home stand will consist of double headers on Saturday and Sunday.

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# Darcy Sutton earns first collegiate shutout; Titans 10-6 overall

By Shanna Salmen and Kate McKenzie  
STAFF WRITERS

The Lady Titan softball team steps up to the plate with a record of 10-6 after a weekend loaded with two non-conference doubleheaders.

Doubleheader one was on last Thursday at home against Thiel. The ending call was a split. The Lady Titans shut out Thiel in the first game, however the Tomcats retaliated with a 5-4 win over the Titans in the second.

Freshman pitcher Darcy Sutton was the key to the defense in the first game. She only gave up five hits, improving to a 4-0 season while pitching her first career collegiate shutout.

"I believe that we are meshing well together as a team," Sutton said.

On the offensive side, senior first baseman Lynn Zolkowski went 2 for 3, freshman shortstop Julie Purvis likewise went 2 for 3, and outfielders Bethany Pinkerton and Katie Horgan each doubled.

In game two Thiel was up and running with a 3-0 lead. Then in the fourth, Westminster picked up the pace racking up three runs to tie, but the Tomcats came back scoring two more runs and only one more for the Titans.

The second doubleheader was also held at home. The Lady Titans faced off against Point Park College, again ending in a split decision.

The Pioneers shut the Titans out only giving up two hits, one by senior outfielder Jennifer Gales and the other by Sutton.

"We as a team are identifying what needs to be done now so we can work to our potential when the conference games begin," Sutton said. "Until then we will not be satisfied!"

In the second half of the doubleheader the Titans grand slammed the Pioneers by the score of 13-2, the "eight run" rule was applied. Titans scored 7 first inning runs.

Sutton earned another pitching win improving her season to 5-0. Jennifer Petures, freshman outfielder had the hit of the day scoring her first home run while playing at Westminster, bringing in three runners.

Junior DH Melissa Bajus had a 2 for 3 game; Pinkerton and two freshmen, Julie

Purvis and Emily Henry, all scored two runs.

The Lady Titans will take the home field again on Friday, March 31 at 3:00 in their first conference game. All team members are anxious to see how they will fare off against Hillsdale.

"We have a young team not completely cohesive yet, but I'm optimistic on how the team will do down the road, I know we are going to improve," junior Jamie Reddinger said.

Over spring break, the Lady Titan Softball team traveled to Orlando Florida to play in the Rebel Spring Games. The team started its season well, coming home with a 7-3 record. The games were a chance for teams to play as many games as they can in a week to improve their skills and prepare them for the season ahead.

"The trip gave us a chance to experiment with different players in different positions. The younger players had a chance to prove themselves and really impressed me," Coach Jan Reddinger said.

The Lady Titans opened with a 1-0 shutout win over Mount Union College, but then fell to Alfred University 5-2 in their second game.

"We had three errors in the second inning during the Alfred game. If we could have played less carelessly we would've won it," Petures said.

Wins over Anderson and Marietta Colleges gave the girls the extra boost they needed after their loss to Alfred. Pinkerton earned the win for the Lady Titans, improving her own record to 2-0 for the season. Pinkerton also went 4 for 5 at the plate with two doubles and two RBIs.

Sutton was the winning pitcher in the Marietta game, acquiring her first ever pitching start. Horgan led the way on offense, going 2 for 4 with three runs scored.

The team then went on to lose two in a row to Southwest State and Mt. Olive. Errors were costly for the Lady Titans, but they needed to get back on track to come out with a winning record for the week. With wins over Miericordia, Indiana Wesleyan, the Coast Guard Academy and Winsconsin-Plattville, Westminster finished the week at 7-3.

"We played a lot sharper the last two days of the trip. We learned what we could from our losses and prepared ourselves mentally to



Photo by Courtney Behm  
Freshman Darcy Sutton crosses home during one of the Lady Titans' games in the Rebel Spring Games in Orlando, FL. The Titans returned with a 7-3 record and currently stand at 10-6.

rack up a few more wins," Reddinger said.

The softball team took its record to 8-4 on the season as the Lady Titans split a non-conference doubleheader at Malone College. The Pioneers captured the opener 3-2, before Westminster rebounded for the split with a 3-2 victory in eight innings in the nightcap.

The opener saw Malone score a pair of runs in the third to take a 2-0 advantage. The Titans knotted the score at 2-2 with a pair of runs in the top of the fifth, but Malone closed the scoring with the game-winning run in the bottom of the frame. Game two saw the Lady Titans jump to a 2-0 lead in the fourth inning, only to see Malone post single runs in the fifth and sixth frame to send the game to extra innings. Westminster got the winning run in the top of the eighth on an RBI single by freshman first baseman Sutton, which plated senior Gales.

"I think we lucked out in the second game because we didn't play well. Today showed us that we need to pick up our level of play," Reddinger said.

The team ran its record to 9-5, when they played a non-conference doubleheader with Thiel College. The Lady Titans posted a 3-0 shutout win in game one, before Thiel rebounded with a 5-4 win in the nightcap.

The team took its record to 10-6 on the season when they split a non-conference doubleheader with Point Park College on March 24. The Pioneers posted a 2-0 shutout in the opener, before the Titans rebounded to post a 13-2 win in game two. The second game was called after five innings due to the "eight run" rule.

The Lady Titans secured the nightcap early, exploding for seven first inning runs and never looking back. Sutton earned the win on the mound, improving to a perfect 5-0 on the season, allowing two runs (one earned) on just three hits with five strikeouts in five innings of work. She also helped her own cause at the plate, going a perfect 3-for-3 with two runs scored and a pair of RBIs.

## Sports Shorts

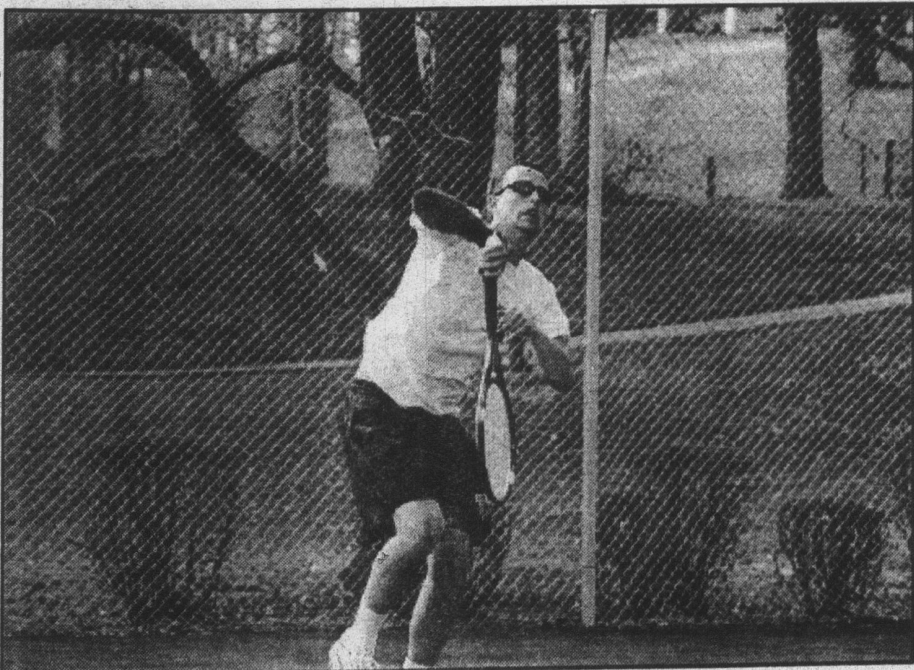


Photo by Courtney Behm

Dave Blievic displays his serving skills in the Titans' loss against Michigan Tech.

### Men's Tennis

The Westminster College men's tennis team dropped to 2-10 overall and 1-5 in GLIAC play today in New Wilmington, as the Titans fell to league rival Michigan Tech University 9-0. The Huskies did not lose a set as they rolled to the GLIAC win.

### Golf

The Grove City College men's golf team fired a four-man total of 306 today to capture the Titan Golf Invitational, hosted by Westminster at New Castle Country Club on March 20. The Wolverines edged the host Titans (308) by two strokes for the team title.

Other team scores included Pitt-Greensburg (326), Penn State-Behrend (339), Edinboro (345), Waynesburg (356) and Bethany (366).

In individual competition, Dave Pifer of Grove City (38-36-74) and Westminster junior Mike Burnett (35-39-74) tied for medalist honors.

### Track & Field

The track & field team opened the 2000 outdoor season this weekend at the Clarion Early Bird Invitational in Clarion, Pa. No team score was kept at the 13-team event.

A pair of Titans led the way at the event with second-place performances. Senior John Sherman led the way with a second-place finish in the javelin with a toss of 181' 1".

Sophomore Jacob Gleason (Farmington/Uniontown Area H.S.) also placed second in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 10:06.38.

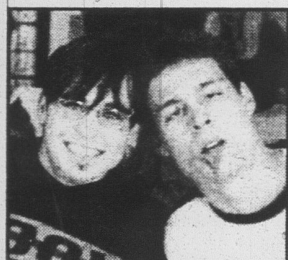
The Titan track team returns to action this Saturday, April 1, as Westminster competes in the Geneva College Invitational in Beaver Falls.



# OPINION

## Question of the week

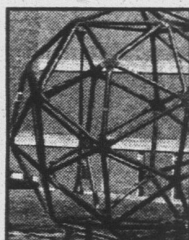
**What is the best April Fool's prank you've done or would do?**



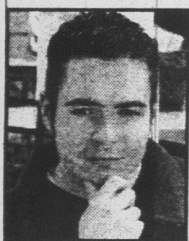
**Alan Bailey and Ray Greenberg, seniors**  
"Your fly is down. Made you look. April Fool's."

**Allison Fill, sophomore**  
"I asked my boyfriend to marry me two years ago."

**Kristin Nejak, senior**  
"My roommate's mattress was removed and put in the orb freshman year."



**Anita Heider, senior**  
"I hid in Latoya's closet then opened the door and said, 'Hello.' She nearly had a heart attack."



**Matt Deegan, junior**  
"If I could, I would lock my roommate in the shower and play 'Blue' by Eiffel 65 constantly."

**Gail Hiltabidle, senior**  
"In high school a guy asked me to the prom and I told him his best friend already asked me."

**Nikki Pencak, sophomore**  
"I would steal a bread truck, fill it with ducks, and park it on the Canadian border."



**Erin Clohessy, sophomore**  
"I told my mother I was pregnant. She almost killed me."

## OUR VIEW: Crossing the Line

**By Meghan Duda  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF**

A prank is a prank. Sometimes they get out of hand and are considered inappropriate but are worth a good laugh. But, when do pranks cross the line?

In the dawn of April Fools Day, last weekend was full of practical jokes and pranks. A bike rack blocked the doors of Galbreath, a light pole was removed from near Brown, deer scent filled the TUB, and the usual fire alarms echoed early Saturday morning. With the exception of the light pole incident, these were pranks that are merely annoyances for security and for some on campus. However, one "prank" this weekend crossed the line.

At some point early Saturday, there were male individuals spotted on the roof over the cafeteria that connects Browne and Galbreath. This incident is frightening enough considering my room is on Galbreath's first floor and my windows are over the roof of the cafeteria. But even worse, a short time after these men were spotted by security, an incident occurred that still leaves me baffled and extremely aggravated.

Around 3 a.m., I was finishing a conversation on my roommate's computer which is next to the window in my room. I got ready for bed and left my room to go to the restroom.

Though I was only gone approximately five to seven minutes, someone managed to enter my room through my window by pushing the screen in. I returned to my room to find my screen on the floor and items from the window ledge scattered around it, signaling someone had in fact broke into my room.

Seconds later an alarm sounded which turned out to be the door alarm signaling their exit through the door between Browne and Galbreath. Another girl saw two male figures

running down the path of Brown and across the quad towards Physical Plant.

Though nothing was taken, I was startled and upset by how quickly and easily the person(s) were able to enter my room. I was left with a violated and uneasy feeling.

I don't know what disturbs me more, the fact that whoever broke in had to have been watching me through the small part in my curtain waiting for me to leave, or the fact that I believe the perpetrator was a Westminster student. It is astonishing how easy it is to break into any room on campus. Though Westminster is a safe campus, and though this is the first situation of its kind on record, there

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should have been measures taken to prevent anything like it from happening in the first place.

In three years, I have lived in three different rooms and, in each of these rooms, the screens were extremely easy to remove. Also, why didn't security investigate when they initially saw the people on the roof?

There have been many comments about how security on this campus is lax. Students have commented on many facets of this issue - from the lack of lighting between campus and Hillside to the ridiculous number of rings it takes before security answers the phone.

However, I would like to commend security on their prompt reaction. Not only were the security guards at my door within five minutes, but Dean Lectner has repeatedly kept me informed of the progress of precautions they are taking to prevent this from happening again. Within forty-eight hours, a metal screen was secured over the window, and security is currently spot checking the roof.

However, that's the problem too. It was a reaction. What about taking proactive measures and evaluating the dorms and security on a whole to create a safer campus? I think it's well worth the money and time if it means preventing another incident like this from happening.

Though it was a secluded incident (the first that the four years of saved records shows), it still happened. The fact that it hadn't happened before doesn't make me feel any more secure.

I'm glad that action is being taken, but prevention of incidents would be favorable.

As far as the perpetrators go, I think it was not only an immature prank, but a violation of my privacy. Though this incident may not seem like a big deal to some, consider it a warning. Maybe it was just a prank, but it is the same as if someone would crawl through a window in your home and run out the front door. It makes you uneasy and uncomfortable in the one place that you should feel the most secure.

Though Westminster is a relatively safe campus located in a rural setting where the crime rate is low, this is the red flag saying that incidents like this can happen anywhere. Prevention is better than reaction. Point being, it's time to take action.

*If you have any information regarding the break-in, please contact Security.*

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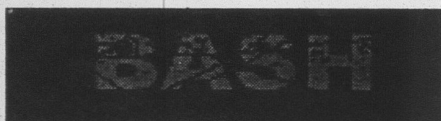
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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



The trailer for *Romeo Must Die* almost overpowers the movie itself: a fire cracker of a collage comprised of nonstop action scenes, it makes *Romeo* look like one of the best Hong Kong style action flick in recent years.

While not a complete let down, *Romeo Must Die* itself does not deliver, and while it lacks the overload of action promised by the trailer, these sequences still stand as the strong points of the movie.

The plot centers on Han (Jet Li), an ex-cop wrongly imprisoned in Hong Kong. Han makes a miraculous escape from prison after receiving news that his brother has been murdered. After arriving in Oakland, Han finds himself in the middle of a skirmish involving Asian and black gangs trying to gain control of waterfront property. Once there, he falls for Trish (Aaliyah). Unbeknownst to both of them, their fathers are leaders of the opposing gangs. (Hence the title.)

While the plot sounds workable, the movie waters it down, making it paper-thin, and only a thread running through the 2 hour showing time. The success or failure of character development usually goes hand and hand with the strength of the plot, and *Romeo* is no

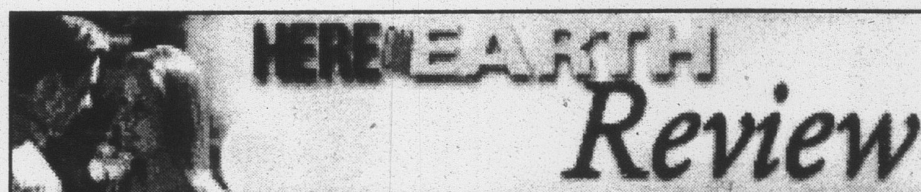
exception: it's almost non-existent, making the generally terrible dialogue even worse, and making stabs at creating serious situations laughable.

The fight scenes in the movie are worth a watch and it's obvious that Li has the ability to equal or surpass contemporaries Jackie Chan and Chow Yun-Fat. Disappointingly, the cinematography and over-produced Matrix-like effects used in these scenes takes away from the display of Li's raw talent, instead of maximizing their affect as hoped.



Basically, the movie feels like a weak, pale version of something greater. While *Romeo* has plenty of elements that could have been elaborated on making this a great film instead of mediocre, it instead feels as though it is playing it safe, being careful not to break any rules of the action genre. Also, while Jackie Chan's movies can come off silly at times, it seems as though every one is in on the joke. In *Romeo Must Die*, though, moments like these come off as bad, and at times laughable, in a bad way.

If films like this are your forte, *Romeo* should be enough to appease an appetite hungry for some fresh action. Those looking for more, though, are bound to be disappointed.



What can I say? I'm a nice guy. I feel that I'm moderately friendly and caring. Also, among other things I know when to say no and when to say yes. My girlfriend wanted to see this movie. You know, a romantic chick-flick?

I may not be the brightest or most romantic person on this earth, but a bell went off in my head when asked if we could see it. The answer was yes. Why make her upset? Lord knows I have other things to deal with. Why not appease her? I told myself, "Hell boy, just say OK, it's only one movie. Perhaps for being a sweet guy you'll get a little lovin' later."

Stupid me. Hey, just say no. This movie is not worth sitting through just to make your girl happy. Pure unadulterated torture, enough to make you physically nauseous. I would welcome a black eye in my right eye, to match the one in the left for saying that flowers are stupid - than see this movie again.

Anyway, the basic plot was about Kelley, a student at Ralston, a rich prep-boy who decides to go into a nearby hick town called Berkshire with some of his friends and his new Mercedes. They go to the town's diner to start a ruckus. Well, they succeed in enraging a boy named Jasper, which leads to a car chase scene with Jasper in his Chevelle and Kelley in his Mercedes. Things go awry, and they end up running into the fuel pumps in

front of the diner, which then causes it to be completely incinerated.

Kelley and Jasper are sentenced to rebuild the diner together. Now the twist is that Samantha's mother owns the diner, and Samantha is Jasper's girlfriend. However, the new boy Kelley also takes a liking to Sam and the romance begins.

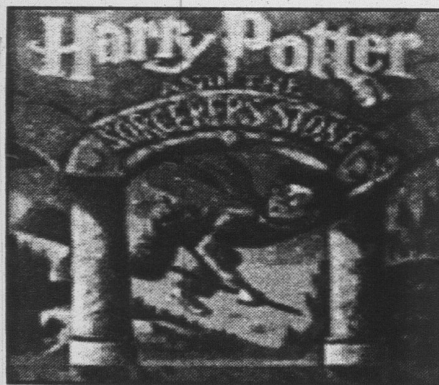
This movie had the worst of both worlds, bad plot and bad acting. Neither Kelley (Chris Klein - *American Pie*), nor Samantha (Leelee Sobiesky - *Eyes Wide Shut*) provide believable portrayals of their characters. They are such perfect shiny happy people that it makes me sick. They constantly give each other puppy dog eyes and shower each other with the cheesiest flirtatious lines. The worst part is that Sam is so inconsiderate, or perhaps ignorant, that she doesn't even hide her affair with Kelley from Jasper (the only character in this movie that I even moderately liked).



So you have a terrible script and terrible acting, along with a completely predictable plot. That's all folks! Frankly I don't feel like saying anything more about this movie because I feel that I would be wasting my time. I can just say that it was perfectly worthless, and didn't bring a tear to anyone's eye in the whole audience throughout the duration, unless it was a tear incurred through the painfully awful blandness and predictability of the whole movie. Perhaps the worst part is that even my girlfriend didn't like it (aka. no lovin' for Ash).

Conclusion: *Forget Here on Earth*. Go see *American Beauty*.

## Harry Potter's magic and fantasy appeal to millions of children



*Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* was the first of JK Rowlings series.

By Kendra McClymonds  
A&E EDITOR

Who is Harry Potter? Such a simple name! For all of you with younger brothers and sisters, you may already be clued-in on this latest craze. For those who have no idea, however, you wouldn't know Harry Potter from the next Backstreet Boy or Pokemon character.

Does Harry Potter have a new video on MTV? Is he the latest actor to join *Party of Five* or *Dawson's Creek*? Why are kids all over the world talking about a boy named Harry Potter?

Harry Potter is a phenomenon, and he is simply a character in a series of books for chil-

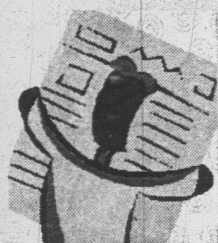
dren written by British author J.K. Rowlings. Right now these are the most popular books on the planet. Amazon.com has the books listed as the top three sellers pitted against all other books available, not just in the children's literature category.

One of the most remarkable things about the series' popularity is that much of it took place before the third book, *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban*, had been released in the U.S. Since publication on September 8, sales of all three books have surpassed all predictions.

Actually, there is nothing simple about Harry and his popularity. According to his book reviews, he is charming - literally. Harry is an apprentice wizard at Hogwarts School

of Witchcraft and Wizardry. He is captivating in a way children can relate to him. Harry is no superhero: he is vulnerable and picked on by stronger kids, a fate we all feared when we were in elementary and junior high. Yet, he has inner strength that will have many readers standing up and cheering loudly.

The combination of magic and fantasy and real life issues found in these books appeals to millions of 8 to 13 year-olds in both the U.S. and the U.K. While our last recollection of a great children's series was *The Babysitters Club* or *The Hardy Boys*, our younger friends and relatives will have no use for such "mundane" stories by the time they finish with Harry Potter.



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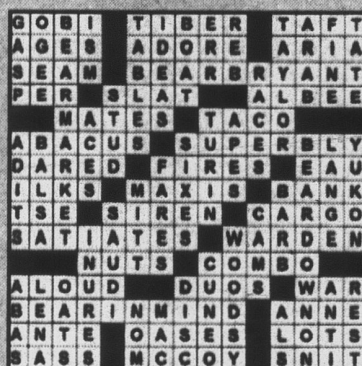
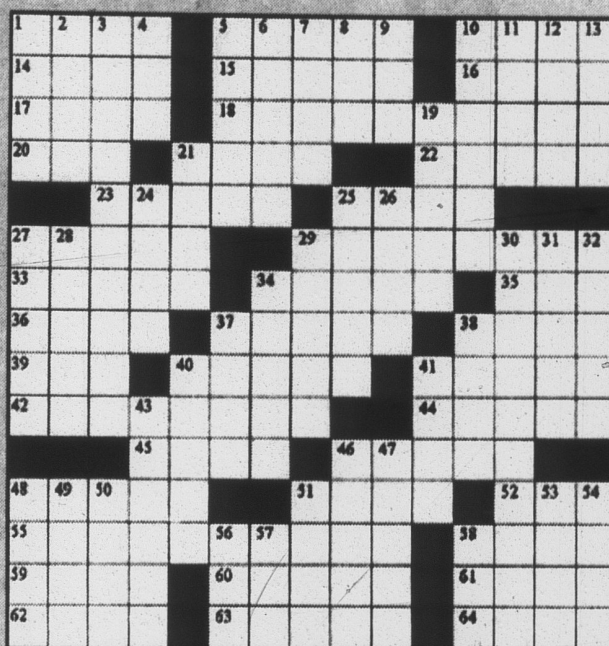


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23. Wins at chess
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36. Sorts
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40. Enchantress
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42. Gorges
44. Actor Jack
45. Insane
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57. Comedienne Meara
58. Wager
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10. Actress Liz
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19. Speeds
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24. King toppers
25. Shroud city
26. Mimics
27. Mine entrances
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## HOROSCOPES

## ARIES

It's hard to be optimistic if you don't know whether you're coming or going. Those who know you well will understand your behavior. Seek their help to get yourself back on track.

## TAURUS

Anyone who doesn't fall in love with you over the next week is a complete fool. You'll regain a measure of control over your life by being confident in who you are. A sudden move may catch your opponent off guard.

## GEMINI

You'll try anything once, maybe even twice if it feels right. Your friends will be there for you to lean on them. Don't be disappointed if associates don't shower you with praise.

## CANCER

Your current imbalance may have more to do with internal than external forces. Stay in touch with your body with frequent stretches or deep breathing exercises. A small inconvenience will provide a welcome challenge.

## LEO

Don't be shy with your opinions. Let a basic grasp of cause and effect be your guiding principle for the moment. The circular nature of events sheds light on your past mistakes. The truth may not be as important as how it is used.

## VIRGO

Pay close attention to the context from which you draw your statistics. The culture with which you're the most familiar affects your perspective on things. You run the risk of seriously misjudging someone else.

## LIBRA

This week's scenario is highlighted by a returning figure from your past, which reminds you of the person you used to be. New light finds its way into a dark corner. Your strong constitution and overwhelming popularity turn your life into a nonstop celebration.

## SCORPIO

You could get used to your current level of ease and happiness. Life may not always be this wonderful, but you'd do well to find a formula that you can repeat in darker times.

## SAGITTARIUS

Confidence and love will quickly replace any distrust. The vague images of dreams come back to you with a new and wonderful resonance. Know when you've had too much of a good thing, and stop immediately. Your power of attraction may be working harder than you imagined.

## CAPRICORN

Waiting too long is the equivalent of surrender. Your heart will take you to places that your logic can't even imagine. Find surroundings that will enhance your self-indulgent state of mind.

## AQUARIUS

A comfortable habit might be bad for business or maybe even bad for your health. There are no accidents, just consequences. Pay special attention to the things that are unseen and yet broadly obvious.

## PISCES

The only reason why you aren't further ahead is that not enough people know about you. Your message may speak for itself, but turning on the charm certainly couldn't hurt. Your charisma puts you at the center of any social gathering.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SWIMMING LESSONS** will be held at the Westminster College Natatorium April 10-15 and April 17-19. Levels I and II begin weeknights at 5 p.m. and Saturdays at 10 a.m.; Levels III, IV, V, VI, and VII begin weeknights at 6 a.m. and Saturday at 11 a.m. Registration is Sunday, April 9, from 6-7 p.m. All participants must be at least five years of age. Cost is \$40 per person; after April 9 cost is \$45. For more information, contact Robert Kalmut, director of aquatics at Westminster College, at (724) 946-7315.

**WRESTLEMANIA 2000**, Sunday, April 2, in the Down-Under, at 8 p.m. This event, sponsored by the Sigma Phi Epsilon, requires an article of clothing to donate to the New Castle Salvation Army as an entry fee.

**BLOOD DRIVE**, Westminster College American Red Cross Blood Drive is Tuesday, April 4 from noon-6 p.m. Make your appointment with Beth Brooks at brooks-bb@westminster.edu.

**TUESDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP**, April 4, 7:30 a.m., Lindley Dining Hall features Irene Walters.

**ARGO'S MILLENNIUM PHOTO** is scheduled for Saturday, April 15, at 11:30 a.m., on the Football Field. A donation of \$.25 per person in the photo will be made by Argo to the Relay for Life.

**ATTENTION SENIORS:** caps and gowns for graduation are available for purchase at the Bookstore from 9 a.m.-noon and 2:30-4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Gowns are \$20 and available now.

**CPR CLASSES** American Red Cross CPR Classes are offered by the Department of Physical Education. Recertification for Adult CPR is scheduled for Thursday, April 6, at 5:30 p.m. in the Memorial Field House classroom. CPR for the Professional Rescuer will include the recertification class and additional time at the end of this class. Lifeguard Training class is scheduled for Thursday, April 13, at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Field House classroom and the natatorium. To participate in any of these classes, you must possess a current American Red Cross certificate at the same level. Cost of all courses is \$20 and registration closes at 3:30 p.m. April 4. For more information, contact Coach Rob Klamut at ext. 7315 or e-mail klamutrg@westminster.edu

**RELAY FOR LIFE** is seeking cancer survivors to honor at its annual event. Anyone with information should contact Ann Smith at smithak@westminster.edu.

**YEARBOOKS** Argo is taking orders for yearbooks at campus box 158. Cost for all faculty and staff is \$10, and the deadline for ordering is April 21.

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**PIE TOWN PRODUCTIONS** is seeking people to spotlight on their new TV program, Going Home. This half-hour program follows real-life people returning to their childhood home to celebrate a reunion, milestone birthday, completion of military boot camp, wedding, sale of a family home, renewing wedding vows or holiday. Interested persons should contact Matt Beirne at (313) 851-2333 EXT 287 or e-mail TSPIE@aol.com.

**MOLLY'S CASUAL**, a consignment shop of men's women's and children's clothing, accessories, and jewelry, has opened at 1231 Main St. Volant. The shop carries casual, business and semi-formal wear.

**30th ANNUAL EARTH DAY** celebration at Slippery Rock University will take place April 18, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. There will be information for educators, environmental representatives, games and prizes, as well as food and music. For more information call 724-738-2273.

## EMPLOYMENT

**THE PHYSICAL PLANT DEPT** is seeking students for full-time summer employment in the Crafts, Custodial, and Grounds Units. Duties of these positions require individuals to be a minimum of 16 years of age. Starting salary will be minimum wage. Apply at the Physical Plant, South Market St. between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. Applications received prior to April 30th will be given first consideration.

**SUMMER BABYSITTER NEEDED:** Looking for a responsible, non-smoking individual who likes kids. The position would start June 12th and continue weekdays until school resumes. Time off can be flexible. The hours of work would be from about 7:45 a.m. until about 5:00 p.m. The children are

ages 11, 8, and 3. We will provide a pool pass for the Wilmington Borough pool for the sitter and the children. Individual should have their own transportation. We live within two miles of the Westminster College campus. Salary is negotiable. If interested, please contact Kelly Hartner at 946-9072.

**THE UNITED WAY** of Mercer County is seeking two individuals interested in becoming AmeriCorps VISTA members to continue the operations of the Volunteer Service Division. Members are needed to serve full time, and will receive an educational award of \$4725 and a living allowance of approximately \$8000. Members will be traveling throughout the county; therefore, personal transportation is required. For further information or to acquire an application, please contact Jayne Nail or Roseann Hooper at 981-1884.

**PRESCHOOL STUDENT AIDES** The Westminster College Preschool Lab is recruiting student aides for the 2000 fall term. The position requires consistent availability either on M/W/F or T/Th mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Experience with young children is preferred. If interested, please contact the Darlene Shaffer at EXT 7356 to schedule an interview. The deadline to schedule an interview is April 4.

**SWIMMING INSTRUCTORS** Teach Swimming Lessons at Westminster. Westminster College Natatorium is offering swimming lessons from April 10-15 and from April 17-19. Westminster students are needed to teach the classes, and this could possibly be used for community service. Classes will be taught from level 1 swimming to level 7 swimming. For more information and to sign up to teach, contact Robert Klamut at EXT 7315.

**DESK STAFF POSITIONS** Westminster College has desk staff positions available for the 2000-2001 academic year. Pick up application in the Student Affairs Office, Old Main 109.

**MORaine STATE PARK** is looking for a bike rental manager. Applicants must be at least 18 and have a driver's license. The job would include managing bike rental concession at the park, handling the cash register, managing one or two part-time employees, stocking the vending machines, and doing light maintenance of bicycles. Hours of work: weekdays 10 a.m.-6 p.m., weekends and holidays 9 a.m.-6 p.m. from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Contact Bill Presnar at (724) 652-9695.

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**For Rent:** Apartment for summer rent, May 15 - August 15. \$750 for entire summer. Two bedrooms w/ double beds, full size bathroom, living room, kitchen, and dining room. Close to campus. Call Julie at 946-3733.

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# Calendar of Events

## FRIDAY 31

Last Day to WITHDRAW (\$15 Fee)  
Science Olympiad  
Diversity Symposium Block II Ends  
11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel  
TBA Alpha Gamma Delta Date Party

## SATURDAY 1

### LEADERSHIP DAY

Zeta Tau Alpha "Don't Be a Fool" Project  
11:00 a.m. Alpha Phi Omega Story Hour - McGill Children's Library  
Noon Baseball vs. Grand Valley State (H)  
TBA Track and Field at Mount Union Invitational  
1:00 p.m. Softball @ Ashland  
7:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel  
8:00 p.m. Vince Morris (comedian) - Down Under  
TBA Phi Mu Date Party

## SUNDAY 2

Daylight Savings: Turn clocks ahead one hour  
Greek Week  
11:00 a.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Mother-Daughter Brunch - Down Under  
1:00 p.m. Baseball vs. Grand Valley State (H)  
3:00 p.m. Chamber Ensemble - Chapel  
6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting @ Chapter House  
7:00 p.m. Vespers - Chapel  
8:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Wrestle Mania to Benefit Salvation Army - Down Under  
Admission: an article of clothing  
9:00 p.m. "The Sopranos" - Down Under  
10:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under  
3:00 p.m. Orchestra Concert - Orr Auditorium

## MONDAY 3

Greek Week  
FILE FAFSA 2000  
11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel  
5:30 p.m. Panhellenic Meeting - TUB A/B  
5:30 p.m. Phi Kappa Tau Meeting - HSC 152  
6:00 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall  
6:15 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112-113  
6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - Tub A/B

6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116  
6:30 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311-312  
8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230  
8:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice - Chapel  
8:00 p.m. Celebrity Series: Burt Bacharach - Orr Auditorium

## TUESDAY 4

Greek Week  
Last Day to Schedule an Interview for Preschool Lab Student Aid Positions  
Noon - 6:00 p.m. American Red Cross Blood Drive - TUB Lounge  
3:00 p.m. Softball vs. Mercyhurst (H)  
6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting - TUB A/B  
6:30 p.m. PRSSA Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall  
7:00 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal - Chapel  
7:00 p.m. Sigma Nu Pledge Meeting - CFH 116  
8:00 p.m. Blasby Colloquium: Nancy Macky, Yeats Seminar - TUB A/B

## WEDNESDAY 5

Greek Week  
11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum: Russ Martin, "Death, Commemoration and the Ways of Kinship in Muscovy, Or: When 50 Rubles Could Buy Your Way Into Heaven" - PH 131  
1:00 p.m. Baseball vs. Mercyhurst (H)  
7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - Down Under  
9:30 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B  
TBA Miss Titan - Orr Auditorium

## THURSDAY 6

Greek Week  
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Pennsylvania Education Recruitment Fair - ExpoMart, Monroeville  
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Alcohol Screening Day - TUB Grill  
6:00 p.m. Career Center Dietrich Industries Presentation - TUB Lounge  
7:00 p.m. IFC Meeting - TUB A/B  
7:30 p.m. Diversity Symposium: Clifford Brooks, "Eastern Philosophy, Music, and Art: Its Influence on Western Music" - Phillips Lecture Hall  
9:30 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal - Chapel



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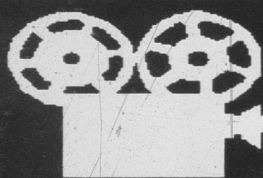
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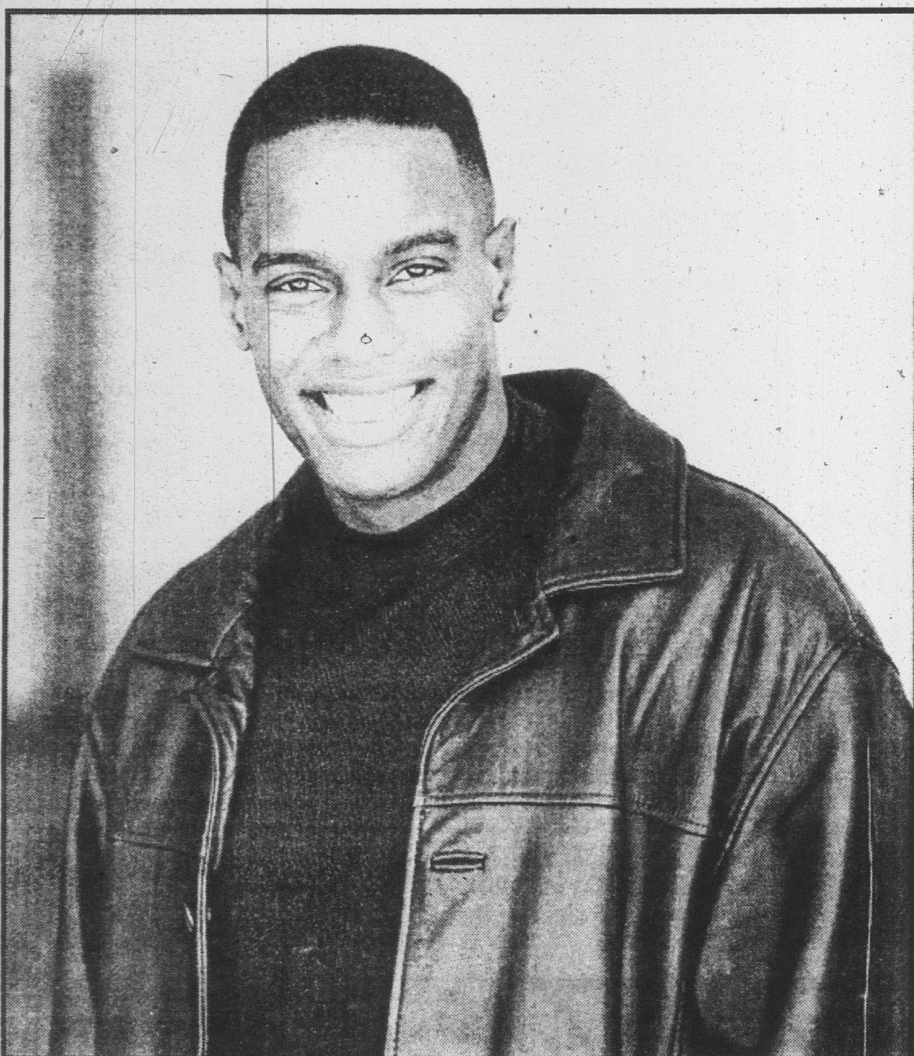
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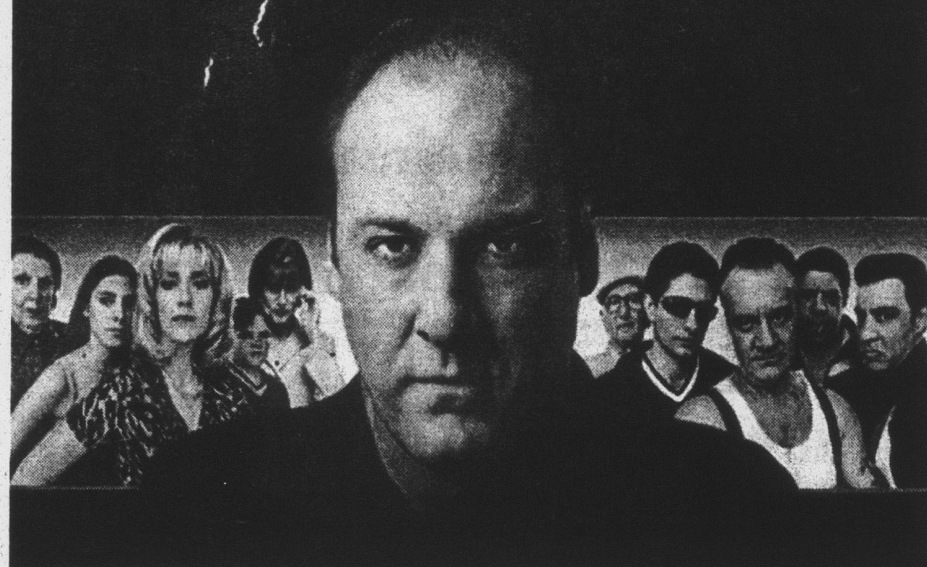
*Friday, March 31 at 8:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.*

*Saturday, April 1 at 10:30 p.m. and*

*Sunday, April 2 at 10:00 p.m.*

## THE SOPRANOS

**Sunday, March 31 at 9:00 p.m.**





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## Science Olympiads tackle events

By Courtney Panik  
STAFF WRITER

Dynamic Planet, Mission Possible, the Wright Stuff...its sounds like a New Kids on the Block comeback. But fear not boy-band haters, they are just some of the events of the Regional Science Olympics held at Westminster last Friday.

More than 700 high school and middle students from 36 area schools competed in events that combined facts and concepts along with application skills. Topic areas included biology, earth science, chemistry, physics, computers and technology.

"It shows students exactly how much they have learned in the classroom," said Christina Frank, a chemistry teacher at Montour and a nine-year judge. "It makes science fun."

Frank judged the Experimental Design category that gave students an infinite number of objects and 50 minutes to create an experiment and present it in lab report format.

Outside the event on the third floor of Old Main were learning centers created by Dr. Monhardt's Teaching Science class.

"Students from other schools have the opportunity to see some of the projects from Westminster students," said Monhardt.

"It was a valuable learning experience in working with students of all ages," said Abby Flick, a junior elementary education major whose project was on display.

This year's popular event was the "Cow-A-Bungie" which consisted of dropping from the top of the gym bleachers weighted soda bottles attached to student-designed bungie chords. Westminster students and faculty measured the distance between the soda bottle and a table located directly below the launch area.

"Cow-A-Bungie was definitely my favorite event," said sophomore Tom Disher of West Allegheny, past winner of the Egg Drop, a similar event.

Each participant received a certificate of excellence along with any metals they won in the individual events. All the college participants received a certificate of appreciation for their assistance during the day.

Awards were given in each event in each division. Although the top ten teams were



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Students from Ford City High School look at their invention during one of the 2000 Science Olympic competitions.

announced, only the top six in Division B, the middle school division and the top seven in Division C, the high school level, advanced to

the state championships held at Juniata

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## Writing in the First-Year pro-

*This article is the first of a three part series focusing on Westminster's First-Year program of Writing, Speech and Inquiry. Today's feature focuses on the Writing component of the program.*

By Laura Stanley  
STAFF WRITER

As students begin their college career at Westminster College, they are all faced with the First-Year program: a mandatory part of the curriculum, consisting of Writing, Speech

and Inquiry. The purpose of the curriculum is to introduce students to ways of knowing, thinking and acting.

According to English professor Richard Sprow, "Writing is an integral component of the First-Year program at Westminster College. The course is designed to develop your abilities as a thinker and writer and to complement your work in Inquiry."

Each freshman writing class teaches the fundamentals of writing, such as grammar, sentence structure and organization. Students are given assignments and papers focusing on comparison, persuasion, analysis, research and creative writing.

"My job as a writing teacher is not largely different from the job an Inquiry teacher has," English professor David Swerdlow said. "It would be foolish to think that I'm going to radically change the thinking patterns and habits of writing students as they transfer what's happening in their mind to the page. However, I still have to try to understand and improve their ways of thinking."

Sprow said that although some writing students are more advanced than others, they still need to polish their work.

"The college writing experience is very different from the high school writing experience," he said.

Swerdlow said that college professors should continue to use the writing skills taught to students, or the writing program will not be a success.

"I think there is a lot of hope that students will go to writing class and become a competent writer, and that's not going to happen, unless that student writer makes a conscious attempt to take what they have learned and apply it to other classes," he said.

English professor Nancy Macky has taught Writing, as well as Speech and Inquiry. She feels the cohesiveness of the First-Year program is good because it allows students to

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## CAMPUS NEWS

### June Gardner selected as new registrar to replace Dean Mann

The stork has arrived and brought Westminster a new registrar!

June Garner arrived to the registrar's office on Monday the 26th. She replaces Dean Mann who was acting registrar from July 1 through March 31. "I think she is going to do a great job. She seems very good," Mann said.

"I saw the job description for Westminster's registrar position and really liked what I saw. And I really like working in a liberal arts setting," Garner commented on her decision to accept the job.

"I really love the community so far. Everyone is really friendly in New Wilmington," Garner said.

Garner said that no changes in policy have been scheduled for the remainder of this school year. She will be taking care of registration for the fall semester and preparing herself for next year's duties.

By the end of the year Garner hopes to have met with all the department chairs to find out what their concerns are regarding the registrar's office.

"I really enjoy interacting with students

and helping them resolve problems, and have an open door policy as far as meeting with students. They are always welcome," Garner said.

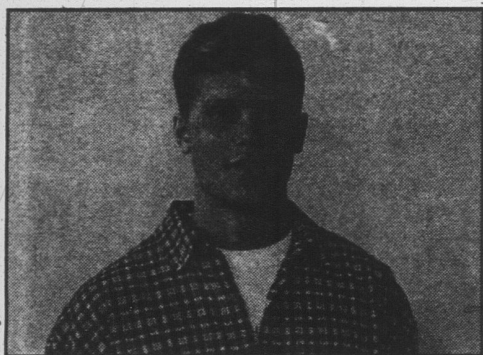
Garner joins us from Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia where she was the associate registrar for a year.

Garner, originally from North Carolina, lived in the Harrisburg area from the age of 16. She attended Carson-Newman College in Tennessee for two years before graduating from Millersville University with a bachelor's in Psychology.

Garner has been working in higher education for about 10 years beginning with clerical and secretarial jobs.

Garner was a secretary in the registrar's office at Messiah College when she decided to go back to school for her master's degree in counseling with an emphasis on student affairs from Shippensburg University. "I wanted to do a role that was more than a secretary so I went back to school," Garner said.

### Two students receive scholarships from Kappa Delta Pi



By Tricia Spargal  
STAFF WRITER

Two elementary education majors, Nathan Crozier and Kristi Huff, have received scholarships from the Allegheny Mountain Alumni Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi.

The Allegheny Mountain Chapter is an off campus education honorary with members from Slippery Rock University and Westminster College. The chapter is a service organization focusing on scholarship and excellence in education, and seeks to promote the development of worthy educational ideas and practices.

Westminster's Linda Domanski serves as

a counselor and treasurer of the chapter. "Once a year we choose 2 students for scholarships," she said. "I presented a list of 10 students based on merit, need and possession of the qualities from which Kappa Delta Pi stands, and the group selected the 2 most qualified candidates."

The scholarship of \$250 is meant to help defray the costs of student teaching books, supplies and wardrobe.

"It's a modest award," Domanski said. "We (Allegheny Mountain Chapter) do all of the fundraising for it because it's not supported by our nationals at all."

Both Crozier and Huff were very honored to receive the award.

"It was very unexpected," Huff said. "I

didn't even know about it until Dr. Domanski told me I had gotten it."

Westminster's Delta Mu chapter of Kappa Delta Pi is restricted to top 20% of those students seeking teacher certification. Students must also be a second-semester sophomore, meet grade requirements and present evidence of service to children and the profession.

"Kappa Delta Pi is one of the most involved campus organizations," said Huff, current president. "We sponsor many things, including educational, book drives and diversity symposiums featuring authors."

"It's an excellent organization and I'm glad to be a part of it," Crozier said.

Photo by Meghan Duda  
Nathan Crozier and Kristi Huff (unavailable for photo) were honored by Kappa Delta Pi.

## Become A S.W.A.T. Member!

Did you like your tour of Westminster College?

Would you like to be a tour guide?

Would you like to meet new people?

Would you like to help prospective students with their college decision?

There will be an informational meeting to learn more about the **Student Westminster Admissions Team** on Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> from 4 until 5 in Charles Freeman Hall (TCF) Room 116. Current SWAT members and Admissions Counselors will be present to answer any questions you may have.



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receive the same instruction in writing and speech.

"We [the writing staff] agreed we would all use a literary text. This is a way to teach students about life. We all have set benchmarks. We're all to teach comparison, argumentation, grammar and analysis," she said.

"The program depends on teamwork. Those [professors] who do not cooperate put students in jeopardy," she continued.

Macky explained that because future professors assume students have all received the same proper instruction, and therefore have the same skill base, students who lack these skills might suffer academically.

"Since Inquiry involves writing and speaking, it makes sense to have them coordinating," Macky said. "Courses are not separate entities you take and drop. These are life skills. We're helping students learn how to integrate learning," she said.

Some students have a much different view of the writing program. Amanda Cassidy is a first year student who took Writing last semester with part-time instructor Mrs. Morgan.

"I liked it, but it wasn't very challenging," she said. Cassidy has found little improvement in her writing, with the exception of

some grammar and technical skills.

"I learned the MLA rules. That's one good thing I got out of it," she said. "You shouldn't have to take writing if you have the skills. They should test freshmen, and then decide who needs it. If you can write, you shouldn't have to take it again," she said.

Cassidy also doubts the cohesiveness of the program.

"It's supposed to be that way, but it's not," she said. "I thought I could have learned more. I was very unsatisfied. I was glad when it was over. It was a waste of my time."

"If you want to have a writing program, have one. But make it a good one. It's a joke class. Most classes deal with topical information. This stuff you know forever. The program is a joke," she added.

Any English qualified instructor is able to teach writing. It is not limited solely to the English department, or full time professors. Instructors are chosen based on the time each one has available.

Freshman Sara Hackett had English professor William McTaggart for writing last semester.

"I can't say I improved my writing that much, but it was one of my most enjoyable classes. I feel it was a valid experience," she

said. "I didn't learn that much about writing, but I learned about other things."

Hackett said her lack of writing skill has interfered with her current classes and assignments.

McTaggart has a different perception of the First-Year program.

"I don't like it because it doesn't give incoming students enough of a choice, and it doesn't do much to prepare them for life after college, unless they become college professors. It's based too much on material that I don't think is practical. As we move into this new century, we have to prepare our students to get jobs after graduation," he said.

"I don't think the program is helping. As I said before, it is preparation for a world of college professors, not one where they have to become employed. I think writing and speech should be required of all students. Beyond that, I think the students should focus on their majors," he said.

Although McTaggart has been accused of using unconventional and sometimes uncooperative teaching methods in his classes, he feels he is still properly instructing students in writing.

"I use in my writing class a text I put together myself, which is based upon my

experiences teaching writing since 1962, which was 35 years ago. As far as letting class out early, I end class when I feel we have covered a sufficient amount of material for one day. I believe in individual choice. We [instructors] all have our own methods, so I wouldn't ever want us to all be doing the same thing," he said.

"Part of our problem is we're teaching students from many majors, and each one has its different writing expectations. I just want my students to know how to organize an essay and punctuate it correctly," he concluded.

Sprow said there is a tricky area of academic freedom if teaching methods are restricted. For example, if one English professor is seen as unable to teach a writing class, then his/her writing classes will be given to other English professors who can. However, this takes away the freedom of the able professor to teach their true passion: literature.

"If a professor is tenured, the only penalty one could do would be to schedule them with an awful load. In the case of the English department, that would be teaching more writing classes," he said.

"If the First-Year program is going to work, we need to have as many people on board as possible," Sprow said.

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College on April 28.

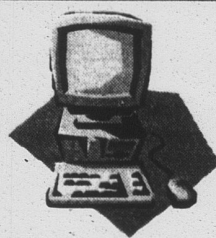
Trophies were given to the top three teams in each division. At the middle school level, third place went to Indiana, second to Kane Area and first to Clarion.

"I was surprised," said eighth grader Doug Gudakunst of Clarion. "I thought we got second. I'm excited to go to states."

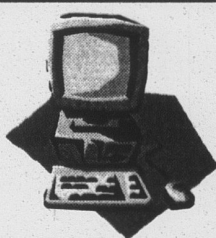
Division C had Montour in third place, Clarion in second and Allderdice for the third year in a row finishing on top.

"It was a team effort," said senior Mike Turner of Allderdice High.

His teammate Adam Hecht, a senior and four-year veteran, summed it up best when he said, "A three-peat is sweet!"



## BYTES & PCs



In response to a study of the TitanNet CONNECT! program (the program for connecting student-owned PCs to the campus network), some significant changes are being planned for next fall. A major goal of these changes is to shorten the time it takes to get all student machines connected to TitanNet by allowing students to connect their own PCs.

To accomplish this goal, it was necessary to find an easier method of configuring computers that will work for a large variety of PC models which students bring to campus. A method to do this has been developed that is described briefly below; additional information about the process for connecting PCs will be made available throughout the remainder of the term and the summer.

The College will be making some important changes in order to facilitate students connecting their own PCs to TitanNet. First, the supported method for students to access e-mail will be through the WebAccess version of GroupWise using the web browser. This will eliminate the need for GroupWise client software to be installed on student computers, thereby reducing conflicts with other software.

If you aren't familiar with using WebAccess, we strongly recommend that you familiarize yourself with it before next year. You can reach it through a button at the bottom of the Westminster home page on the Web or at the following URL: <http://webmail.westminster.edu>. (Note: you must have a password on your Groupwise account in order to use WebAccess; you can find instructions for setting a Groupwise password under GroupWise Frequently Asked Questions at <http://www.westminster.edu/Computing/help>.)

The regular GroupWise client will be available only as an unsupported option. Second, anticipated changes in our network protocols will also contribute to making configuration simpler. In the past, installing the GroupWise client using Novell's protocol has been the biggest source of problems encountered when trying to connect personal computers.

So, how will the new program work? Self-Install kits will be sold in the College bookstore. The kits will include: one CD with Novell client software and a college-owned licensed upgrade for Norton Antivirus Corporate Edition, detailed instructions, one installation worksheet and a list of students willing to help other students with the installation. These students will have completed a training workshop offered by Information Systems. Each student who participates in the self-install program will be required to purchase the kit, regardless of who performs the installation.

Some things to keep in mind about this method of connecting a student PC include:

1. As in the past, all computers connected to TitanNet must be able to work on the campus Novell network. Many PC models are not designed for direct network connection. The College makes specific recommendations regarding some computer models that have worked on the campus network and others that have not. This information can be found on the College web page under Computing. It is the student's responsibility to acquire a computer that is compatible with the campus network.

2. The option to "Self-Install" is at your own risk! If you are unable to configure your computer yourself, the college is not responsible for installing it. In that case, you have several options. First you can ask a friend for help. Second, Information Systems will provide a list of students who have completed a training workshop and are willing to assist with the install. These students are NOT being paid by the college for this service but may charge you their own fee. Third, you can order the service from the College's vendor. Note that you will be placed at the end of their list because students who have already placed their orders for reconnection will take precedence over you.

3. The Installation Worksheet in the kit must be filled out and submitted to the Help Desk before your port will be turned on.

Be aware that the Self-Install method is one option, but orders can still be placed with the College vendor to do the complete installation. And the vendor will begin configuring student computers earlier next year.

If you have questions about connecting your PC to TitanNet in the fall, call the HelpDesk at EXT. 6900.

## Distinguished Faculty Award 2000

All members of the campus community are invited to nominate a tenured member of the faculty for this highest Westminster honor.

If you know of a faculty member who has:

Intellectual  
vitality

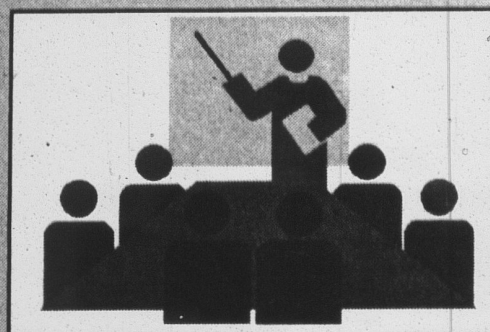
Leadership

Collegiality

Effective communication skills

Ability to motivate  
and inspire

Compassion and  
concern for student  
success



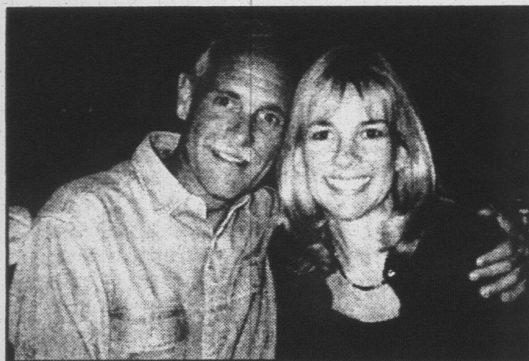
Submit nominations in the form of a supporting letter to Dean John Deegan, Jr., by Friday -- April 14, 2000.

The selection will be made public during the 2000 Commencement Ceremony.



## FEATURE

### Wayne Nickerson returns to campus filled with many blessings



Contributed Photo  
Wayne Nickerson found the love of his life in a friend of 30 years, Judy Cassis.

By Heather Salada  
STAFF WRITER

Wayne Nickerson, dean of the chapel,

returned to campus on March 27th following surgery.

During a routine check-up in March of last year, Nickerson's doctor noted a rise in the levels of his PSA blood test. The levels were tested again in October and were still high. Nickerson underwent a biopsy in November and was diagnosed with prostate cancer the Monday after Thanksgiving.

Nickerson left to have surgery on February second. The procedure was a success. Nickerson's doctors are hopeful and consider him "cancer free."

His encouraging diagnosis is one reason Nickerson is smiling these days. The other is his upcoming marriage.

Nickerson plans to marry his friend of thirty years, Judy Cassis. The two met while attending the Gordon-Conwell theological seminary in Massachusetts. Cassis now lives in Colorado and is a professor at The

University of North Colorado.

"I was amazed at my ability, at the age of fifty-two, to fall madly in love. I was astounded that I still had that capability," Nickerson said.

The couple's ceremony is planned for May 27th in Colorado. They, however, are undecided as to where they will reside after their marriage. Wherever Mr. and Mrs. Nickerson choose to live, he is sure about one thing; he will continue to work in the area of ministry.

Throughout Nickerson's career, he has gotten the chance to work with college students. Before coming to Westminster, he was the campus minister at Carnegie Mellon University and Chatham College in Pittsburgh.

Nickerson loves the chance to be able to preach to college age people.

"They have so much hope for the future and believe that they can have a profound effect on the world," he said.

Nickerson has been Dean of the Chapel for eighteen years. His involvement in the Volunteer Service Program as well as his role as adviser of Habitat for Humanity, are his most valued accomplishments at Westminster so far.

One event Nickerson misses is January term. During that month, he taught a course on Central America that incorporated Habitat for Humanity. He took the students on a trip and they helped build housing for the people of Central America.

The one thing that Nickerson has enjoyed most during his time at Westminster is the music provided by students at Vespers. The heavenly music has helped him worship in many ways.

Nickerson has two children from a previous marriage. Matthew graduated from Westminster in 1998 and Christy will graduate in December.

### Brad Dell selected to attend national college theatre festival in D.C.

By Erin Morgan  
STAFF WRITER

Brad Dell, a sophomore Theatre and English major, will be competing in the National American College Theater Festival in Washington, DC, from April 18-22.

The college Theater Department competed in the Regional American College Theatre Festival in January at Clarion University. Many colleges and universities from Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey, New York and Delaware competed for the invitations to go onto the National Festival. Dell was the only student director who was chosen to go on.

"I'm very excited about the national festival," Dell said. "At the regional festival, it was great to be with theatre people the whole time,

and I can't wait to be in the atmosphere of artists again."

At the regional festival, Dell had the opportunity to participate in the playwriting awards committee. He observed professional directors at work and independently directed a five-minute play.

The national festival will be held at the Kennedy Center. Dell will be the assistant director to a professional director for a student written play, which will be performed at the Kennedy Center. He will also be a dramaturg, someone who researches certain aspects about a play, such as allusions and symbolism. Dell will be working with people from all over the country and the national finalist actors will be performing in the play.

"Directing is what I want to do for the rest of my life," Dell said. "This Festival will give

me incredible connections with important people and a great resume builder."

Dell directed three shows in high school, and three at Apple Hill Playhouse in Delmont, Pa, where he is the artistic director of the children's theatre assistant producer of adult theatre. So far at Westminster, Dell has directed three shows for the Theatre Department including *The Zoo Story*, *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)* and Jamie Openbrier's original play, *The Elevator*.

"I'm also very excited for Westminster because this is the first year Westminster competed in the American College Theater Festival; it shows the strength of the Theater Department that somebody is going to Nationals," Dell said.



Contributed Photo  
Brad Dell in *The Miracle Worker*.

### Martin awarded Henderson Lecturship for next fall; to discuss royal marriage in Russia

Dr. Russell E. Martin, assistant professor of history, was recently selected as the recipient of the 2000-2001 Henderson Lectureship Award.

Martin chose "Picking a Bride for the Tsar: The Politics of Royal Marriage in Early Modern Russia" as the topic for his lecture Wednesday, Oct. 4 and was chosen by a faculty committee to join select peers in this accomplishment.

Martin, who joined the Westminster College faculty in 1996, is an expert on European and Russian history, and was featured as an expert on the 1997 A&E Biography on Ivan the Terrible.

Martin earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Pittsburgh, and earned both his master's and Ph.D. at Harvard University.

At Harvard, Martin earned a pair of Distinction in Teaching Awards, and has



Contributed Photo

Russel Martin

published numerous article on Russian and European history. He has also lectured internationally, and has been an expert witness in a Canadian civil trial about the Russian royal family.

The native of Neville Island, Pa. is fluent in Russian, and also reads Old Church Slavonic/Russian Slavonic, French, German, Latin, and Polish.

The Henderson Lecture, founded by Dr. Joseph R. Henderson and his wife, Elizabeth, was established to encourage and recognize original and continuing research and scholarship among Westminster College faculty, and to afford the opportunity for faculty to share their learning with the academic community.

Dr. Henderson, professor Emeritus of education at Westminster College, served as chair of the Department of Education and director of the Graduate Program.

### Concert Choir to sing Mozart

The Westminster College Concert Choir will perform Wolfgang Amadeus

Mozart's *Requiem Mass* Sunday, April 16, at 3 p.m. in Wallace Memorial Chapel.

Although mostly completed when Mozart died in 1791, the *Requiem Mass* was finished by one of his students. Until the late 20th century, the Mozart/Sussmayr edition was the only one in existence. Since then several different musicologists have issued new versions. The Franz Beyer version will be presented at this concert, and it is dedicated to the memories of deceased family associated with Westminster College.

The choir is under the baton of Margaret A. Gingerich, visiting instructor of music, and the performance will be accompanied by several Westminster students, employees, alumni and area professionals.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the department at EXT. 7270.



# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Armed man robs Fayette Bank after handcuffing employees

By Mike Rosenwald  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

Employees arriving to work yesterday morning at Fayette Bank on the South Side were startled when they looked through the front door and saw a co-worker showing them her hands were handcuffed behind her back.

It was just after 8 a.m. and the woman was one of five employees in the bank who were handcuffed — some to railings, another to a door — by an armed man who robbed the bank.

By this time, the suspect, who was masked and wearing gloves, was gone and the woman

was able to set off the alarm. Police were on their way.

Pittsburgh police Sgt. Wally Long of the robbery squad said the ordeal started shortly after 7 a.m., when the man, dressed in black, approached one of the tellers as she was entering the rear of the bank, pointed a gun at her and demanded cooperation.

As other employees arrived to start their work day, the man was waiting. He had handcuffs — not police issue, Long said — and secured each of them in a back room of the bank, which is located at 1712 E. Carson St. The bank's alarm wasn't activated, but police refused to explain how the suspect kept this from happening.

Long said the man didn't say he was going to shoot anyone, but bank employees feared he would.

"They assumed so because he was pointing a gun at them," Long said.

Bill Crowley, a spokesman for the FBI, which is investigating the incident with Pittsburgh police, said at one point the man pointed the gun at an employee's head.

Neither Crowley nor Long would say how much money was taken.

Long said it didn't appear to be an inside job, but the man, reportedly 6 feet tall and weighing 180 pounds, was well-prepared and seemed to know he would have to detain a group of people. Police recovered seven sets

of handcuffs, most cheaply made, and want to talk to anyone who recently sold a large quantity of handcuffs.

Detectives were still trying to figure out how long the man was in the bank. Long said it appeared that it took him about an hour. He was probably waiting for employees to keep trickling in so as not to bump into anyone when he was leaving.

Because of the aggressive nature of the robbery, the FBI is offering a \$2,500 award.

If you have any information, the FBI can be contacted at 412-471-2000.

Pittsburgh police robbery detectives can be reached at 412-665-4317.

### State Lottery records missing day; winner belatedly informed

By Brad Bumsted  
TRIBUNE-REVIEW STATE CAPITOL WRITER

HARRISBURG - The state inspector general has been asked to investigate why the night of March 21, 1998, draws a blank in state Lottery records.

A Lottery report on a botched Million Dollar Spin that night is missing, as is in-house documentation of all the games that

night, according to the state Department of Revenue, parent agency of the Lottery.

"Why this is not available is part of our review," Deb Snyder, spokeswoman for Revenue Secretary Robert Judge, said Monday. "It's of great concern to the secretary."

"Apparently the whole night is missing for the Lottery officials...the whole file," said Snyder. She said no drawing reports for any other night had been identified as missing.

Judge asked Inspector General Robert J. DeSousa - a state investigator charged with finding fraud, waste and misconduct - to find out what happened to the missing documentation and why his office had never been informed of problems with that night's game, Snyder said.

A spokeswoman for DeSousa's office declined to confirm or deny an investigation.

Judge announced last week that the Lottery was belatedly giving \$1 million plus

interest to a former Westmoreland County woman who actually won the game that night. Officials say Joyce Tatsch's win was discounted after it was inadvertently not taped by a television camera filming the game, and so could not be televised.

An additional spin was made and a Philadelphia man - V.M. Mathew - was declared the winner. Judge said Mathew would be permitted to keep his winnings.

### Direct flights from Pittsburgh to London restored by US Airways

Pittsburgh won back direct flights to London on Monday after U.S. and British negotiators restored the route and paved the way for US Airways to serve it.

US Airways plans to begin flying between London's Gatwick and Pittsburgh International Airport roughly within 30 days, according to Glenn Mahone, chairman of the Allegheny County Airport Authority.

"This bodes well for this region, not to

mention our image," said Mahone at a news conference in downtown Pittsburgh.

The news comes after British Airways abandoned Pittsburgh/London service on Oct. 31 - and after five months of failed talks to reinstate the route. That left western Pennsylvania travelers without direct access to London, which also is the gateway to most of Europe.

More than 110,000 passengers a year fly

from Pittsburgh to London, according to local officials. Pittsburgh International also handled roughly 6.3 million tons of cargo bound for Britain last year. About 10,000 people in this region are employed by 53 companies with British ties.

"Without these direct flights, western Pennsylvania is not a center for global commerce," said William Newlin, managing partner of the law firm Buchanan Ingersoll, chair-

man of Kennametal Corp. and a leader in area economic development.

For US Airways, America's sixth-largest carrier, the development marks a significant turn of fortune.

Just 10 days ago, the airline was on the brink of suspending operations because of a threatened strike by its flight attendants. The two sides hammered out a tentative, five-year agreement on March 25.

## The Region In Brief

### Airport shuttle upgrade to begin

Travel between landside and airside terminals at Pittsburgh International Airport will run slower next week while a "people mover" train is replaced. From April 11 to 13, workers will replace two transit cars in the airport's subway system. The south tunnel train will be replaced with refurbished cars removed from the north tunnel six months ago. The south train is expected to resume operation by April 15, airport officials said. Officials are advising travelers to allow more time to catch their flights. The north train will remain open during the replacement and shuttle buses will be available to transport travelers between the terminals. Also, orange signs and employees stationed throughout the airport will direct passengers to alternative shuttle service.

### Downtown dancers

Rudi Navarra and Barrie Short dance the day away Monday at Duquesne University. The school is celebrating the diversity of its students this week with a variety of events highlighting nationalities. Students and faculty demonstrated a variety of Latin dances yesterday.

### Assault charges filed in Fayette

A Washington County man was charged with unlawful restraint and other offenses after he allegedly grabbed a woman and attempted to pull her into his car. State police said Michael Patrick Jordan of 221 N. Main St., Washington, drove into the driveway at the residence of Joanne Marie Liptok of 60 N.

Mill St. Ext., New Salem, Menallen Township, Fayette County, on Sunday. Troopers said Jordan asked for help as Liptok was leaving her home. As she got out of her car, Jordan allegedly grabbed Liptok's arm and attempted to pull her into his car. Police said Liptok broke loose, but Jordan grabbed her again and dragged her several feet. Liptok again broke free. This time, police alleged, Jordan got out of his car and grabbed her around the neck, choking her. Liptok then yelled for her husband and Jordan released her, according to police. Police arrived a short time later and took Jordan into custody. Jordan was charged by state police with unlawful restraint, recklessly endangering another person, simple assault, harassment, disorderly conduct, criminal mischief and drunken driving. He was arraigned before District Justice Rick Vernon of South Union

Township and lodged in Fayette County Prison in lieu of \$5,000 bond.

### Striking teachers plan rally, meeting

Striking Peters Township teachers plan to rally before today's scheduled talks, and union leaders say they could decide Wednesday whether the teachers will return to work on Thursday. Negotiations are to start at 11 a.m. at the district administration offices. The 212 teachers have been on strike since March 24. Under provisions of state Act 88, they must return to classes Thursday. Paul Homer, union president, said the teachers will hold a membership meeting Wednesday on whether they will return Thursday. If the teachers don't return, the school district could seek a back-to-work order.



## NATIONAL

## Student's idea for Gay-Straight Alliance Club divides community

ORANGE, Calif. (AP) — Anthony Colin wanted to create a club at his high school where students could get together and promote tolerance of homosexuality.

Instead, his idea for a Gay-Straight Alliance Club has divided the community, generating threats, courtroom battles and heated school board meetings. One student was arrested for biting a principal.

"This whole thing has stopped being about my club. It's become this debate about sex," said Colin, 16, a sophomore at El Modena High School.

Although homosexual concerns — like anti-discrimination laws and lifestyle acceptance — have been discussed for decades, dealing with

them in public schools is a recent development.

"Students are feeling more comfortable and, therefore, a little more courageous about coming forward" to ask for recognition of student clubs, said Julie Underwood of the National Schoolboards Association, which represents the country's 15,000 districts.

Since 1989, students have formed more than 700 Gay-Straight Alliance clubs at high schools across the country — about half came after the beating death two years ago of gay Wyoming college student Matthew Shepard.

The clubs, supported by the Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network, or GLSEN, promote education and tolerance of homosexual-

ity. They also advocate some activism, such as amending anti-bias policies at schools to include sexual orientation.

Efforts to form gay-oriented clubs are being met by resistance from parents, school officials and religious leaders. Battle lines between parents and club organizers have been drawn in California, Utah, Louisiana, Indiana and Florida. One Salt Lake City school district eliminated all student clubs rather than allow a gay club, a ruling that is being appealed.

The Orange Unified School District board unanimously rejected the club in December. Colin sued, accusing the board of violating the Equal Access Act, which gives students the

right to form clubs.

A federal judge granted Colin a temporary injunction earlier this year, allowing the club to meet on the 2,000-student campus while his lawsuit against the board goes through the courts.

Things have hardly been quiet.

A 17-year-old El Modena student was arrested March 10, a day after she allegedly bit the principal of another high school at a school board meeting.

Police said the bite happened after a group wearing bandanas rushed forward when a critic of the club was preparing to speak.

Administrators stepped in to stop them and the protesters fled, police said.

## Education theories tested in the South

ATLANTA, April 3 — The states of the South, long home to the nation's poorest and worst-performing students, have desperately begun to experiment with education theories and school reform plans in ways that are drawing national attention.

While experimentation is going on in a few states in other regions, almost every Southern governor, Republican or Democrat, is either hunting for new school money or trying combinations of familiar and occasionally untested ideas for improving student achievement. Some of the plans mix new spending for large state education agencies and teacher salaries with conservative proposals like vouchers and an end to teacher job protection.

Gov. Paul E. Patton of Kentucky seemed to be speaking for the entire South earlier this year when he informed state lawmakers of his top four priorities: "Education, education, education and education." Not all his colleagues have been quite so wry about it, but in virtually every statehouse in the South, the priorities are essentially the same.

The South was slower than the rest of the country to begin its school reform, and for all the recent years of innovation, performance has just barely begun to move up. The Southeast is still the lowest-ranking of the nation's four regions on the federal government's National Assessment of Education Progress tests.

Of the 16 states that belong to the regional board, only 6 meet the national average for proficiency in fourth-grade reading (although others have shown some improvement), and only 3 do so in eighth-grade reading. In the Deep South, only North Carolina meets the national proficiency averages for both grades.

"We've lagged behind the rest of the country for so long that there is a much greater receptivity to experimentation," said John Dorman, executive director of the Public School Forum, a nonprofit public policy group based in Raleigh, N.C. "The states are trying a lot of high-stakes programs, but we're just now starting to fight our way up to average."

As in most states, the effort to improve public schools began in the South with the dire warnings published 17 years ago in "A Nation at Risk," a federal commission's report attacking the quality of American education, and was prodded by business leaders who said the regional economy was at stake. But the South had much further to go than the rest of the country.

## FleetCenter concert leaves one critically injured

BOSTON (AP) — A fight erupted backstage during a hip-hop concert at the FleetCenter, and at least six people were injured, one critically.

One person was arrested in the Monday night fight.

The approximately 5,000 people in the audience were unaware of the fight while it was happening, police Deputy Superintendent Laurence Robicheau said.

"There was some kind of confrontation between different groups that were either par-

ticipating in the performance or...were gathered as VIPs," Robicheau said.

The fight broke out before 10 p.m.

The show, sponsored by the Ruff Ryders and Cash Money record labels, was delayed while police and rescue workers responded to the fracas. Promoters asked everyone to leave around 11 p.m. and the top acts, Eve and DMX, never performed.

Some audience members, who paid more than \$50 for tickets, chanted "We want our

money back" as they left.

Five of the victims were stabbed and another was struck on the head with a marble bench. One of the stabbing victims was in critical condition while the other five had injuries that were not life-threatening, said police spokesman Cliff Connolly.

David Smith, 34, of Randolph, was arrested on charges of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon. Police said he hurled a marble bench at another man.

## Damage phase of tobacco lawsuit goes to jury

MIAMI (AP) — The tobacco industry will always find a way to explain away smokers' illnesses, an attorney for three sick smokers seeking \$14.4 million in damages argued Tuesday.

The damage phase of the landmark smokers' class-action lawsuit against the nation's five biggest cigarette makers was expected to go to the jury late Tuesday or Wednesday. The same panel decided last July that the industry conspired to produce a dangerous product.

Brown & Williamson attorney Gordon Smith finished closing arguments for the

industry Monday, dismissing the idea of addiction in smokers as a group and one smoker in particular.

"Were they all addicted? Were they all helpless?" he asked after noting 50 million Americans have quit smoking. "Of course not."

One of the plaintiffs, the late Angie Della Vecchia, said in a deposition that she was never able to quit smoking for more than two hours at a time until after her lung cancer was diagnosed.

The jury will be asked to set damages for the medical bills, lost income, lost services,

pain and suffering from the smokers.

If any money is awarded, the panel would hear more testimony and be asked to set punitive damages for an estimated 500,000 sick Florida smokers. The industry, which already owes states about \$250 billion on lawsuit settlements with states, fears a \$300 billion punitive award.

The defendants are Philip Morris Inc., R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., Brown & Williamson, Lorillard Tobacco Co., Liggett Group Inc. and the industry's Council for Tobacco Research and Tobacco Institute.

## The Nation In Brief

## 3-year-old rescued after kidnapping

LOS ANGELES — A 3-year-old boy has been returned to his family after being held for two weeks by abductors who demanded a ransom of \$1.3 million, officials said. Authorities did not immediately say if the ransom was paid. The suspects and the victims are Asian. The boy's father is a prominent figure in the garment industry. The case appears to be similar to the 1998 kidnapping of a 17-year-old boy who was taken from his San Marino home and held for two days. A Chinese national and a co-conspirator sought \$1.5 million ransom from the boy's father, a Taiwanese developer who also lived in the United States. Several people have been

arrested on suspicion of kidnapping, officials said.

## First executions since 1960 in Tenn. stayed

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A federal appeals court Tuesday stayed the planned executions of a convicted cop killer and a child murderer, which would have been Tennessee's first executions in 40 years. The 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals stayed the execution of Robert Glen Coe just 15 hours before he was to die by lethal injection early Wednesday. The court also stayed the execution of Philip Workman, set to die early Thursday. Coe claims he is insane and shouldn't be executed for raping and killing 8-year-old

Cary Ann Medlin in 1979. Workman argues that there is new evidence showing that he did not fire the fatal shot that killed Memphis police Lt. Ronald Oliver in 1981. In issuing the two stays moments apart, the court said it would review both men's claims.

## Second engine of EgyptAir 990 recovered

NORTH KINGSTOWN, R.I. — A robot from a salvage ship raised the second engine of EgyptAir Flight 990, and the wreckage was returned to shore Monday. The debris was found in an area 60 miles south of the Massachusetts island of Nantucket where the Boeing 767 crashed Oct. 31, killing all 217 aboard.



## INTERNATIONAL

## UN attacks Russia for human rights violations in Chechnya

MOSCOW, April 4 - United Nations human rights chief Mary Robinson criticized Russia on Tuesday for abuses during the war in Chechnya and urged Moscow to launch an independent inquiry into "serious and documented" allegations.

She said there had to be a "day of reckoning" for rights violations but called her talks in Moscow after a weekend visit to Chechnya and other North Caucasus provinces constructive.

Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov rejected outside interference in Russian internal affairs

and, President-elect Vladimir Putin attended the funeral of soldiers killed in recent fighting.

"I do believe that there have been serious human rights violations," she told a news conference, adding that she had listened to eyewitness accounts of looting and mass killings during her visit to the conflict-torn region.

Robinson, a former Irish president, urged Russia to form an independent panel to probe the allegations which should include independent lawyers and non-governmental organizations.

She said Russia would be recognizing the "scale of allegations of human rights viola-

tions" by forming such a body.

She said Ivanov had been interested in her proposal and pledged to examine it while U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, speaking in Geneva, backed her idea of a rights probe.

Leading human rights groups have alleged serious atrocities by Russian troops during the fighting, including executions of civilians, rapes, looting and the beating of prisoners.

A spokesman for the Human Rights Watch group doubted an independent panel would be effective given Russian skepticism

of Chechen statements on abuses and Chechen fears of Russian officials.

"We have very little hope that a Russian investigation will yield results," said Diderick Lohman, a representative of the U.S.-based rights body.

Ivanov mounted a strong defense of the military onslaught, saying that it was a fight for the unity of Russia and to stamp out what Russia calls terrorist bands in the region.

Fighting continued in Chechnya with news agencies reporting further air raids near the shattered regional capital Grozny.

## Japan's cabinet resigns after Prime Minister Obuchi incapacitated

TOKYO, April 4 — Japan's cabinet resigned en masse today, setting the stage for a rapid political succession, two days after a life-threatening stroke incapacitated Prime Minister Keizo Obuchi.

The resignation, which was made formal in a brief, final cabinet meeting this evening, is expected to lead to the nomination of a candidate by the governing Liberal Democratic Party as early as Wednesday morning to succeed Mr. Obuchi.

A parliamentary vote to ratify the party's choice, which is already widely reported to be the ruling party's second-ranking official, Yoshiro Mori, would be held almost immediately afterwards.

With tears streaking down his cheeks as he spoke during an emotional late afternoon news conference, the caretaker prime minister, Mikio Aoki, said the dissolution of the government was made "based on the judgment of the doctors, and from the viewpoint that we should not allow even one moment's political vacuum."

The news came amid persistent reports throughout the day that Mr. Obuchi's condition was steadily worsening, and that the prime minister was already brain dead by mid-afternoon. Mr. Aoki denied this, calling himself "very upset" at the media for passing on what he said were unsubstantiated rumors.

Politicians close to the transition process and several Japanese political analysts said today that the party had used the extraordinary 22-hour news blackout surrounding Mr. Obuchi's hospitalization early Sunday, and the carefully stage-managed process since, to quietly engineer the selection of Mr. Mori, the party's current secretary general, as its unopposed candidate for the succession.

Mr. Mori was reportedly selected in part because of his reputed strong loyalty to Mr. Obuchi. Even more decisive, however, were his close ties to the ruling party's major coalition partner, the Buddhist-backed New Komeito party.

Mr. Mori's ratification by the parliament, or Diet, is already considered a foregone conclusion, political analysts said today, because the governing coalition led by the Liberal Democratic Party enjoys far more than the simple legislative majority needed to approve the choice.

"There is no question about the choice," said Kozo Watanabe, vice speaker of the lower house of the Diet. "In a matter of a few hours, the central commission of the L.D.P. will announce Mr. Mori's selection, and their junior coalition partners will support it. In that event, we will have a new prime minister before the parliament tomorrow."

## The World In Brief

## P.M. wants to avoid Anwar testimony

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia - The prime minister on Tuesday filed a 14-page affidavit outlining why he should not be forced to testify in the sodomy trial of ousted deputy Anwar Ibrahim. Mahathir Mohamad said he never conspired to fabricate evidence against his one-time protégé in a statement rebutting accusations leveled at him by Anwar last month. Anwar, whom Mahathir fired in September 1998, is serving a six-year jail term for corruption and is standing trial for sodomy, punishable by a 20-year sentence in this predominantly Muslim Southeast Asian nation. Anwar's attorneys promise "a devastating Reply" to Mahathir's affidavit.

## Cyclone flattens Madagascar town

ANTANANARIVO, Madagascar - Cyclone Hudah churned toward flood-weary Mozambique on Monday after demolishing nearly all buildings in a northeastern Madagascar city. The storm, which packed winds of 138 mph, downed power and phone lines in Antalaha. Two people were reported dead and thousands were left without power. A spokesman for the Wildlife Conservation Society said the society's staff in Antalaha said the town was devastated. The powerful cyclone exited the northwest coast of Madagascar around 9 a.m. Monday after making landfall near the northeastern town of Antalaha 12 hours earlier, said a local weather

er service.

## Boat sinks, 6 drown in Peru

AYACUCHO, Peru - A 198-foot ferry sank in a turbulent stretch of the Apurimac River in Peru's central Amazon jungle on Monday, drowning at least six people and leaving another 20 missing, authorities said. The boat, powered by two outboard motors, was attempting to cross the churning Apurimac - a major tributary of the Amazon River - near the jungle community of Lobo, 229 miles southeast of the capital, Lima, when it began to sink with some 61 passengers aboard, police said. Six bodies were recovered and authorities were combing the shores in search of 20 people who were missing. Thirty-five passengers were able to swim to shore.

## Mir crew readies to reactivate space station

MOSCOW - After eight months of orbiting Earth unoccupied, the Mir is about to have some new tenants - two cosmonauts who blasted off Tuesday on a mission to bring the troubled space station back to life. Sergei Zalyotin and Alexander Kaleri were shot into the sky aboard a Soyuz rocket from the Baikonur cosmodrome in Kazakhstan, said a spokeswoman with the Russian space agency. Anticipation is high over the two-month mission because it comes after months of doubt about whether the 14-year-old Mir, the pride of the Russian space program, would remain in orbit or be forced down in a fiery plunge into the ocean. The Mir's last residents left in August, as the cash-strapped Russian space

program decided that keeping the 130-ton station aloft didn't make economic sense.

## Pope attacks artificial procreation

VATICAN CITY - Pope John Paul II on Monday attacked the practice of eliminating unwanted embryos that result from artificial procreation methods such as in vitro fertilization. "Those who resort to artificial methods must be held responsible for illicit conception, but whatever the mode of conception - once it happens - the child conceived must be absolutely respected," the pope told a convention of gynecologists and obstetricians in Rome. Vatican teaching maintains that the only permissible way for conception is through sexual relations between husband and wife.

## NATO troops arrest senior Karadzic aide

PALE, Bosnia-Herzegovina - NATO Monday detained the highest-ranking suspect to be arrested for alleged war crimes in the former Yugoslavia - an aide to former Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic. Yugoslavia's state-run Tanjug news agency said Momcilo Krajisnik was forced from his home by NATO troops and the Bosnian peacekeeping force and flown to The Hague, Netherlands, where the United Nations war crimes tribunal is located. NATO Secretary-General Lord Robertson said in a statement that Krajisnik is "accused of genocide, crimes against humanity, violations of the laws and customs of war and grave breaches of the Geneva Convention, including murder, will-

ful killing, extermination, complicity in genocide, deportation and inhumane acts."

## Britain toughens asylum rules

LONDON - Britain Monday introduced tough new measures aimed at deterring asylum-seekers, including giving them food vouchers instead of money and imposing fines of \$3,180 on truckers who smuggle illegal immigrants. The measures are the latest attempt by Prime Minister Tony Blair's Labor Party government to curb the soaring number of asylum-seekers, most of whom, officials say, are simply seeking a better way of life, sometimes attracted by reports of generous welfare benefits. Britain says the number of asylum-seekers shot to a record 71,160 last year, mostly from the former Yugoslavia and Sri Lanka.

## China overturns U.S. educator's sentence

BEIJING - In a rare reversal, Beijing's High Court has overturned the conviction of a Stanford University researcher sentenced to 15 years imprisonment for allegedly leaking Chinese state secrets, a human rights group reports Monday. The timing suggests Chinese authorities plan to free Hua Di, a former high-ranking official in China's missile program, as other dissidents have been freed at sensitive moments in the past. The ruling for a retrial comes as China seeks to head off a U.S. effort to censure Beijing at the current session of the U.N. Human Rights Commission in Geneva. Hua was arrested two years ago while attending a family funeral in China.



# SPORTS

## Indians vs Pirates

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

Baseball season is finally here! Usually, Westminster students are divided between the Pirates and the Indians, so I will offer an unbiased (if possible) preview of both teams for the 2000 season.

### The Pittsburgh Pirates

This year is year four of the infamous Pittsburgh Five-Year Plan. In 2001, the Pirates will be in a new stadium, PNC Park, and owner Kevin McClatchy predicted that then the Pirates would be contenders. Catcher Jason Kendall disagrees. "Screw the Five-Year Plan," he said in Sports Illustrated. "I don't care what anybody says, we have to win this year. When the new stadium comes, we'll worry about it then."

The Pirates' strength this year will be their starting pitchers. There were encouraging developments in 1999, with starters Jason Schmidt, Todd Ritchie and Kris Benson combining a record of 39-34 and leading the staff to the National League's sixth-best ERA (4.33). Benson, the first overall pick in the '96 draft, led NL rookies in ERA (4.07), innings (196 2/3) and strikeouts (139).

The Pirates weakness is in the field. The pitching staff got little help last year, with 147 errors and 93 unearned runs, more than any team in the league except the Expos. The return of shortstop Pat Meares will even the defense a bit, but there are still plenty of holes. New leftfielder Wil Cordero was given the largest free-agent deal in club history in three years, \$9 million, but it's safe to say it wasn't for his defense.

The return of leadoff hitter Kendall, who was hitting .332 with 22 stolen bases when he suffered a season-ending broken ankle last July, will make the lineup more threatening against lefthanded pitching. The Pirates were just 17-30 against lefty pitchers last year. Keeping up with the other offensive powerhouses in the division may be as unrealistic as the predicted 90 wins for the season from McClatchy.

### The Cleveland Indians

The obvious strength of the Indians this year will be their offense. Last year, Cleveland was the first team in 50 years to score 1,000 runs; four players drove in 100 runs; and the Tribe scored in double digits in 28 games. They also became the first team in major league history to come back three times from a deficit of eight or more runs to win.

Hitters like Manny Ramirez, Jim Thome, David Justice, and Roberto Alomar will lead the lineup once again, trying to erase runs given up by the weak pitching.

Defense is another strength for Cleveland. Catcher Sandy Alomar, Jr. will be backed in the field by Golden Glove winners Omar Vizquel (shortstop), Alomar (second), and centerfielder Kenny Lofton. The Tribe is deep, with players like Jacob Cruz and Richie Sexson itching for starting spots.

Once again, the main factor in the Indians success will be pitching. With the acquisition of Yankee-killer (career 16-9 record against New York) Chuck Finley (three-year, \$27 million), the starting rotation looks deeper than in the past. Although Finley is coming off a mediocre 1999 and has not won more than 15 games in a season since '93, he's still a top-of-the-rotation intimidator. Veteran righthanders Dave Burba and Charles Nagy were a combined 32-20 and each pitched more than 200 innings in '99, but both are better suited to the middle of the rotation. With Mike Jackson gone, the closer's role will be split between righthanders Shuey and Steve Karsay.

## Titan softball drops two to Ashland

In their second conference matchup of the season, the Lady Titans softball team saw its record drop to 13-9 overall and 1-3 in the GLIAC, after dropping a doubleheader to Ashland University.

The Eagles posted a 4-1 win in the opener before completing the sweep with a 12-2 win shortened to five innings due to the "eight run" rule.

Game one saw Ashland jump out to a 2-0 lead at the end of the first inning. Westminster halved the lead to 2-1 midway through the second frame, but AU added single runs in the second and third innings to clinch the win. Titans junior pitcher Bethany Pinkerton fell to 4-5 with the pitching loss, giving up four runs on seven hits with three strikeouts. Pinkerton did help her own cause at the plate, going a perfect 3-for-3. Westminster's lone runs came on a RBI by sophomore outfielder Kristie Perrotte scoring freshman third baseman Darcy Sutton.

Ashland took control of the second game early, posting four runs in the first and six more in the third en route to the win. Freshman pitcher Julie Purvis took the loss, falling to 3-4 after allowing seven earned runs on 11 hits with one strikeout.

Sophomore second baseman Renee Tappe was 1-for-2 with a run scored and a RBI for WC, while Perrotte also drove in a run with a RBI double. Senior outfielder Jennifer Gales was 1-for-1 with a run scored in the loss.

Earlier in the week, the team posted a non-conference sweep of host Clarion University, posting a 2-0 shutout in the opener and an 11-2 decision in the nightcap. The second game was called after five innings due to the "eight run" rule.

The opener was a pitcher's duel, with Pinkerton coming away with her third shutout

of the season to improve to 4-3. Pinkerton allowed just four hits while posting a pair of strikeouts. Westminster got both of its runs in the third inning, as junior DH Melissa Bajus doubled and was replaced by pinch runner Katie Horgan, who moved to third on a sacrifice fly by Sutton. Horgan then scored on an RBI single by junior first baseman Courtney Behm, who scored three batters later on an RBI single by senior left fielder Jennifer Gales. Gales was 2-for-3 in the contest, while Bajus and Pinkerton each went 2-for-4 at the plate.

Westminster scored at least once in all five frames, as the Lady Titans completed the sweep. Purvis took the win, allowing two runs (one earned) on five hits with a pair of strikeouts. Offensively, Sutton and Purvis each went 2-for-3 while Horgan was 2-for-4 with a pair of runs scored. Tappe added a two-run double in the win.

The Titans also posted a doubleheader split against Hillsdale last Friday for their conference opener. The Chargers posted a 4-2 victory in the opener before Westminster rebounded for a 10-2 win in the second game, ending after five innings due to the "eight run" rule.

During the first game, Hillsdale scored once in the second inning and three more times in the third for a 4-0 lead. The Lady Titans halved the lead with a pair of runs in the fifth inning but would get no closer, leaving the bases full in the final frame. Pinkerton took the loss, after allowing four runs on nine



Photo by Amy Nansen  
Julie Purvis slides into home on a close play in the Titans game against Hillsdale.

hits with a pair of strikeouts.

Offensively, Horgan led the way, going 3-for-3. Junior catcher Jamie Reddinger was 2-for-4, including a two-run single in the fifth. Freshman shortstop Laura Raible also was 2-for-4 at the plate for Westminster.

Hillsdale jumped out to a 2-0 lead in their half of the first inning in game two, only to see the Lady Titans score 10 unanswered runs over the next four frames to salvage a split. Sutton improved to a perfect 6-0 on the season with the win for Westminster, allowing just four hits with one strikeout. At the plate, Perrotte was a perfect 3-for-3 with two stolen bases and a pair of runs scored. Horgan and Pinkerton were each 2-for-3 with a pair of RBIs in the win, while Sutton helped her own cause by going 2-for-3 with a double and an RBI. Senior third baseman Liz Maurhoff also recorded a pair of RBIs for Westminster.

## Baseball faces four losses last week



The Westminster College baseball team saw its record drop to 7-11 overall and 4-6 in Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC), as the Titans were swept by Grand Valley State University 0-4 and 5-12.

Westminster was limited to just three hits in the opener, as GVSU scored single runs in the fifth and sixth innings before adding a pair of seventh-inning insurance runs to seal the win. Senior Vic Kaplack took the pitching loss for the Titans, falling to 1-2 after

allowing three runs (two earned) on five hits with six strikeouts in 5+ innings of work. Freshman Matt Pournaras pitched the final two frames for Westminster, giving up

one unearned run on two hits while striking out a pair. Freshman first baseman Kevin Culp was the one bright spot at the plate, going 2-for-3 in the loss.

Game two saw GVSU hold a narrow 6-5 lead after four innings, before putting the game away with four runs in the fifth and two more in the sixth. Culp took the pitching loss for WC, falling to 1-3 after giving up six runs on seven innings in four innings. Offensively, junior

center fielder Henry Klinar was 3-for-4 with a triple and a double, scoring once and driving in one run. Three other Titans: senior shortstop Tom Nulph, senior outfielder Jason Smith and freshman first baseman John Hanlon each posted two hits in the loss.

The record split even further in two losses to Mercyhurst College 13-1 and 10-0.

In game one, the Lakers exploded for six runs in the second inning and never looked back. The Titans, who were held to five hits in the contest, scored their lone run in the third inning when senior shortstop Tom Nulph singled, moved to third on a single by junior DH Kurt Latta and then scored on a Mercyhurst error. Titan senior hurler Brian Zima took the pitching loss, falling to 3-3 on the season.

The nightcap saw Mercyhurst score nine times in the fourth inning, before adding an insurance run in the fifth. Senior Vic Kaplack took the pitching loss for the Titans, falling to 1-3. Westminster was limited to four hits in game two. Freshman second baseman Kevin Humberston led the way at the plate for WC, going 2-for-3 with a stolen base.

Westminster returns to action April 8, as the Titans open a four-game GLIAC series against the University of Findlay with a doubleheader in Findlay, Ohio. First pitch is set for 12 noon.



## Weird News

### Woman sentenced in strange viola saga

CHICAGO - A woman who stole a rare Italian viola from a junk dealer, conspired to have him murdered and later married him, has been sentenced to two years in federal prison. Wednesday's sentence ended a strange saga that went awry when Quintella Benson and her co-conspirator hired an undercover FBI agent masquerading as a professional killer to bump off Boies Watson. Benson, 35, admitted stealing a 274-year-old Dom Nicolo Amati viola that Watson had bought at a flea market and giving it to Robert Heiss, who took it to a dealer for appraisal. The dealer recognized it as property of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and called police. Benson and Watson have since reconciled and are now married.

### Punishment by country music

ALEXANDRIA, La. - Henry Nelson Jr., 20, and Jon Driggers, 26, pleaded guilty to violating Rapides Parish's ordinance prohibiting "loud and offensive noise" by playing loud music in their cars. They were fined, given a suspended jail sentence and probation - and ordered to attend a three-hour "music appreciation" session. "I thought if they had to listen to stuff they hate, it would teach them to respect other people's rights," state District Judge Tom Yeager said. So he made them listen to country music, which they said they hated.

### Taking a bite out of crime

ROANOKE, Va. - A drug-sniffing police dog detected a package of cocaine and got a

buzz for his trouble. Blitz, a 3-year-old German shepherd, wound up with a mouth full of the drug after biting into the plastic bag at a Greyhound bus station. The dog's handler quickly washed the powder from Blitz's mouth and took the dog to a veterinarian for a checkup. Blitz was credited with a personal-best discovery of 24.2 ounces, worth about \$100,000 on the street. Police arrested two men on charges of possession of cocaine with intent to distribute, police said.

### Firefighters have to cut their manes

ORLANDO, Fla. - The city's 27 female firefighters are criticizing an order to cut their hair, saying it harkens back to the days when women were not welcome in the fire department. Fire Chief Charlie Walker, who took office in November, issued the order, saying he was enforcing existing policy and would not allow firefighters to merely pin their hair up. The head of the city's labor relations bureau said the rules - that female firefighters' hair cannot extend more than 4 inches below the collar and men's hair cannot extend below the collar - were made for appearance and safety reasons.

### Warning speeders against traps

WATTS, Okla. - Curtis Ketcher says the police go too far when it comes to stopping speeders. He's doing what he can to warn motorists passing through on U.S. Highway 59. "Beware: Speed trap next 2 miles. Welcome to Watts, Ok" read the lighted, portable signs he has put up on his land at both entrances to the eastern Oklahoma town. Ketcher's wife, Sondra, said she counted 30

stops by the police in one night in front of the gas station. The town's police commissioner and city director said Watts is not a speed trap. He said if people are doing more than 11 mph over the posted speed limits, then they're going to get a ticket.

### Foul-mouthed parrot finds loving home

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - Flounder, the foul-mouthed parrot, has found a permanent home at a place best known for adoptions. "The bird makes us laugh, and we don't get many laughs, so we're keeping him," Patti Lewis, founder and president of the Humane Society of Charlotte. Flounder has been taught so much profanity by his former owners - college students - that the society doesn't want anyone else to adopt it. Lewis worried that if someone asked where a bird like that came from, the new owner would say "the humane society." The bird was named after a character in the movie Animal House.

### Elvis is alive, and running for mayor

PHILLIPS, Wis. - His name is Elvis Aron Presley - and he wants to be mayor. Presley, an Elvis impersonator who has legally changed his name to that of the late musician, moved to this Price County community two years ago from West Dundee, Ill. Now he wants to get into politics like Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura. "If the people of that state can put a wrestler in office, I don't see what's wrong with the people in Wisconsin electing an Elvis impersonator," said Presley, a proprietor of a local bar. Voters in this community of 1,600 people will choose between Presley and Keith Corcilius on April 4.

### Southeast Asia gets high fashion donation

ST. LOUIS - The raid of a fashion-conscious clothing store here has ended happily with a donation to the poor in Southeast Asia. More than 24,000 pieces of fake-label clothing, seized by officers from a store Jan. 19, were donated through the World Vision organization to the needy of Cambodia. The items include more than 9,000 shirts, 5,000 pairs of pants, 5,000 hats and nearly 1,000 coats, all with exclusive names like Fubu, Tommy Hilfiger, Nike, Polo and Nautica. No charges have been filed in connection with the seizure.

### Mr. Potato Head greets R.I. visitors

PROVIDENCE, R.I. - Meet Rhode Island's official travel ambassador: Mr. Potato Head. The plastic spud with the interchangeable features is homegrown, produced by Pawtucket-based toymaker Hasbro. As part of a campaign dubbed "Rhode Island - The Birthplace of Fun," 6-foot statues of him will greet visitors around the state and ads will be placed in national magazines.

"With Mr. Potato Head sprouting up in our communities, Rhode Island will peel ahead of the crop when it comes to attracting visitors from around the world," Gov. Lincoln Almond said during a mock swearing-in ceremony. The Mr. Potato Head statues were designed by local artists with different themes. There's Salty Spud, dressed in orange raingear with a fishing net in one hand. There's one covered in sand with seaweed hair, starfish eyes and a mouth of shells. Another wears horn-rimmed sunglasses and a bikini.

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# OPINION

## Question of the week

What do you think of Greek Week?



**Beth Chupak,**  
sophomore  
"Some people don't get involved enough."

**Molly Cready,** junior  
"It doesn't provide unity between the sororities and fraternities; it makes them more competitive against each other."

**Mike "Frank" Piddington,** sophomore  
"Greek Week... It's FANTASTIC!"



**Jenny Cano,** sophomore  
"It's something that's supposed to be fun but ends up to be more of a burden."



**Jacqui Selznick,**  
sophomore  
"I think it's very competitive and a chance for Greeks to bond."

**Chuck Correll,** sophomore  
"I think it's great because of the 'friendly' competition."

**Jessica Urda,** junior  
"I don't participate but it's nice to go watch some activities like Miss Titan"



**Steve Klebacha,** sophomore  
"I like Greek Week, but I think some of the events are biased."

## OUR VIEW: Greek Week Modified

Greek Week. One of the largest events at Westminster with approximately fifty percent of the campus participating, has consumed campus life once again. Events ranging from Sing & Swing and Miss Titan to basketball and softball have been keeping the campus' Greek population occupied. However, among the awards that will be given out and the cheers of victory after winning events, there are also tears of frustration, long hours of practice and monetary fines to be paid for those who refuse to participate.

At 9:30 pm, every sorority gathers in their respective location to rehearse their Sing & Swing routine. Walking by, one can see women going over and over the routines amongst laughter. However, one can also see frustrated and overwhelmed tears of people that have just had too much of the time consuming activities. During the competitions, the fraternities have been known to display unsportsman like conduct along with use of profane language.

Though competition is good, Greek Week should be more fun. The "friendly competition" that Greek Week was started for has escalated into an all out war against each other. It has been overheard by fraternity and sorority members that they are tired of events being taken so seriously. Though everyone wants to win, fights among the Greek organizations does not promote the unity that the

week is trying to establish.

On another note, why can't Greek Week be a time of campus bonding? At a lot of other colleges independents and professors are involved. Maybe the non-Greeks won't participate in all the activities but some, especially the games, would be interesting and fun for the entire campus.

Greeks aren't keeping the independents out of Greek Week. In fact, no one has ever

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tried to organize a team, which might prove to be the most difficult task. However, there is a team of independent women participating in Relay For Life which is usually done only by organizations. So, it is possible to unify independents.

Westminster is always trying to promote unity throughout the campus and students are always complaining because there is nothing to do. So, here is an answer. Try to find a way

to involve everyone in the week, not just Greeks. The name of Greek Week doesn't have to change and the awards ceremony at the end doesn't have to eliminate awards like brother or sister of the year but promoting unity among the fifty percent of the campus that is not Greek as well as encouraging Greek and non-Greek unity would more closely follow the college's mission.

Week after week the *Holcad* proposes answers to solve the problem of apathy. We are sure that you're tired of reading about the same issues over and over and we're honestly tired of writing about them. However, it continues to be one of the largest problems on this campus.

We promise to stop writing editorials on this topic if more students get involved. Repeatedly our editorial board has proposed solutions such as the Activities Board, campus-wide participation in Mock Convention, Lil Sibs

Weekend, sporting events, Homecoming and now Greek Week. Frankly, no one is taking any type of action and instead choosing to continue the apathy while complaining.

Write a letter to the editor, join an organization, but above all else, just get involved. It all goes back to the common saying, actions speak louder than words. Stop complaining and do something.

## — EDITORIAL CARTOON —



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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

As the year passes by and as I have spent a few years at Westminster, I have come to notice things that I was not aware of or was not seeing around campus. This school is indeed a small college in a rural setting compared to bigger schools in the city. This is one of the key reasons that my parents and I agreed on my entering this school. Since I was to fly across the ocean to come to college from Japan, I did not know what to expect. What were the students like in American college and, on top of them, how would I decide on the right school? My parents were worried about crimes and violence caused by guns in the city, which is a stereotypical Japanese thought about America. They encouraged me to start with a small school in order to get a taste of American college life.

My mother and I made a trip to the States and visited all four colleges to which I was accepted. We fell in love with the setting of Westminster and the beautiful campus. People from the Office of Admissions and the student that I stayed with overnight all made our visit very special and memorable. I knew I was meant to be a student at Westminster from that following September.

Now I have come as far as the second semester of my junior year. The days at Westminster have been both rough and good. There are very few International students on this campus, so the school officials have not dealt with or are not familiar with issues such as students will run into during their four years here. All I had was myself to figure things out and I did not see anything wrong with it. I was here to study English and enjoyed adjusting myself to American culture. I was supposed to be figuring things out by myself, not waiting for someone else to lay every card right in front of me. I did not see that there is not much diversity on this campus. For the last two years, I was mainly focused on fitting in and learning enough English to get around.

Recently, I have been hearing people talk about the diversity issue at this school and I came to realize I am indeed in a setting where the majority of students are Caucasian. This is indeed a very strange situation if I think about it. The world is getting smaller everyday. People travel everywhere. Everywhere we go, we see diversity. The lack of diversity can create small-mindedness or a sense of ethnocentrism. I am still happy about my initial decision to come to this school. However, every once in a while, I do wonder about underlying issues on this pastoral campus. Is it good to be so small or too small to get every aspect of the real world?

Sincerely,

Mamiko Nakata

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



## Bash

Unbeknown to them, the geniuses behind *The Skulls* have crafted a movie capable of saving them. Once *The Skulls* flops at the box office and endures twice the critical lashings Joshua Jackson deserves, the film can be sold to the WB as a 2 hour special entitled "Pacey Goes to College and Joins a Frat."

Doing this will accomplish two things. First, it will prevent those responsible for the film from living a life that revolves around food stamps and robbing liquor stores while they pay back their debt to universal. Second, it will give 14 year girls around the country something to talk about over a fruit roll up and an RC at the lunch table, while simultaneously distracting them from the new N'Sync album.

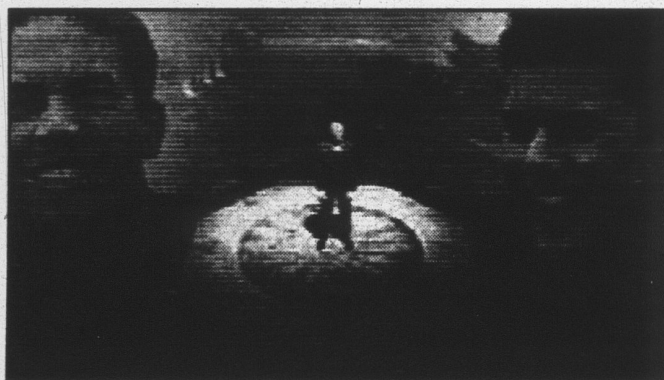
A worthy addition to the seemingly endless stream of garbage pouring into the pool of mainstream media in our society, *The Skulls* looks like a strong contender for worst movie of the year.

*The Skulls* stands as Jackson's first movie where he's clearly the star, a chance he clearly shouldn't get a second time. Jackson, along with costars Paul Walker, Hill Harper, and Leslie Bibb, delivers a performance so devoid of any depth that it ranks at around the same level as an after school special.

Jackson stars as a college senior at an Ivy League school whose only desire is to get into a secret society named the Skulls. Of course, he gets in, and once he gets in, his best friend is murdered by The Skulls.

The premise for the movie is good, as secret societies do exist, and offer intriguing histories, but the movie makes them look like a joke, with initiations such as stealing another societies mascot. They were one step away from pulling out a paddle and beer bong.

This movie is tailor made to fit the tastes of those weaned on Dawson's Creek and it's countless counterparts. Maybe the filmmakers knew exactly what they were doing. By crafting a movie that successfully mirrors the lack of quality epidemic in the majority of the programs flashed across TV's throughout America every night, they may have come up with a new formula to attract drones of conforming youths to the movies. Whatever the case, *The Skulls* stands as a blaring example of just how low standards of quality can sink.



## Ash

The basic premise for *The Skulls* could have been very interesting and intense. However, because of a weak script and plot, much of the movie collapsed and eventually completely deflated.

*The Skulls* is a secret society, which has existed at the Ivy League College where Luke McNamara attends, for over 200 years. Luke is a poor college student, and hopes to become a member of The Skulls, for he knows that they are a very wealthy and powerful organization which can make his dreams come true - especially the dream of attending law school.

However, upon joining the society his hopes and dreams fade to fear and disillusionment. Through a series of events, Luke's loyalty to the society turns to revenge as he works to vindicate a terrible wrong which The Skulls commit against his best friend.

A prestigious Ivy League school was the primary setting for *The Skulls*. The old buildings, and interesting rumors and lore about the society, created an air of mystery which helped to intrigue and pique the curiosity of the audience. However these feelings of interest quickly begin to fade as the movie becomes more and more absurd.

Joshua Jackson played the main character, Luke. Though Jackson is a decent actor, he could not pull off the role given to him. His character was meant to be intimidating and tough, which Jackson is definitely not. Also, the scenes which were supposed to be highly climactic and intense, weren't, making him seem more like a frantic housewife than an admirable hero.

The cast for *The Skulls* had quite a few recognizable stars. Of the older actors names such as Craig T. Nelson from the TV series *Coach*, as well as William J. Petersen from the movie *Fear*, and Christopher McDonald from *Happy Gilmore* graced the screen. However, even with decent actors such as these the movie wasn't believable.

The cast list was also studded with some up and coming younger stars as well. Of course, the aforementioned Joshua Jackson of *Dawson's Creek*, as well as Hill Harper from *He Got Game*, Leslie Bibb from *Popular TV*, and Paul Walker from *Varsity Blues*. The conglomeration of these four actors created the primary roles of the movie, but unfortunately the characters created were weak.

Overall, I don't blame the actors or the cinematographers (though neither of which are truly worthy of mention) for the failure of this movie. I blame the writers for creating a script which doesn't carry itself erect, but rather slowly limps along like Quasi Motto. The basic premise was quite interesting and could have been quite intense, but comes off and being a bland under-achiever. The movie poses as being tough, exciting, and a real thriller, but the final impression is one of frustration and disappointment for letting a movie which had such potential...flop.

## Battle of the big bands

By Kendra McClymonds  
A & E EDITOR

Two legendary big band headliners, The Fabulous Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra directed by Jim Miller and The Artie Shaw Orchestra directed by Dick Johnson performed "together in one big show" last Thursday evening in Orr Auditorium.

Gene Dicaprio, director of the Celebrity Series, welcomed the excited audience members, mostly senior citizens who longed to hear music from the good old days. He joined them in their desire to listen to past favorites as he said, "We gotta keep this music alive. I hope young people of the MTV era appreciate the 'touch dancing' their grandparents used to enjoy."

The Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra was the first to play as Miller directed, played the trombone, made jokes and told stories about the

late great Jimmy Dorsey. Pittsburgh native, Nancy Knorr, sang with the band just as her predecessor, famous big band singer Helen O'Connell did with the original group.

Next up, The Artie Shaw Orchestra played after a half-hour intermission. Shaw, the band's originator, was a giant in the Big Band Era, sharing the greatest clarinet honors with Benny Goodman. Johnson, the band's new director, was appointed to front the Orchestra in 1983 when Shaw himself said, "Dick's clarinet playing, as of this time, is the best I've heard anywhere."

The audience enjoyed listening to famous hits such as "Green Eyes," "Maria Elena," "Moonglow," "Frensi," and "Stardust." As the evening ended, snatches of reminiscent conversations were overheard as the crowd filed out of the auditorium leaving the good old days behind.

## Triple Gold coming to Orr



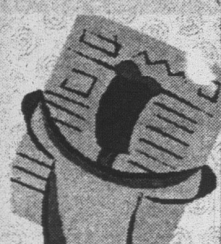
Triple Gold

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Triple Gold, which features lead singers of three successful recording groups, The Association, The Four Preps, and The Diamonds, is coming to Westminster College Saturday, April 15, at 8 p.m. in Orr Auditorium.

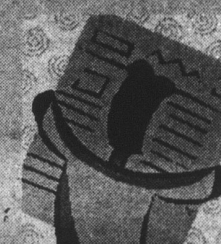
Jim Yester of The Association, Bruce Belland of The Four Preps, and David Somerville of the Diamonds present a rare combination of hits and history. Their careers span four decades of hits and over 100 million records, 39 hit singles, 35 Gold and Platinum albums, 13 Grammy, Golden Globe and Emmy nominations and the

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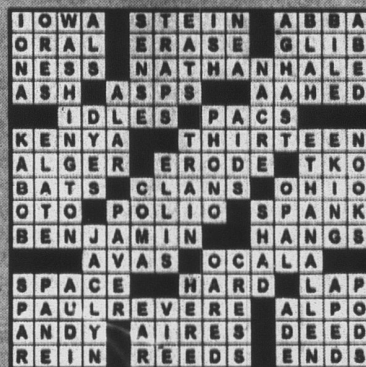
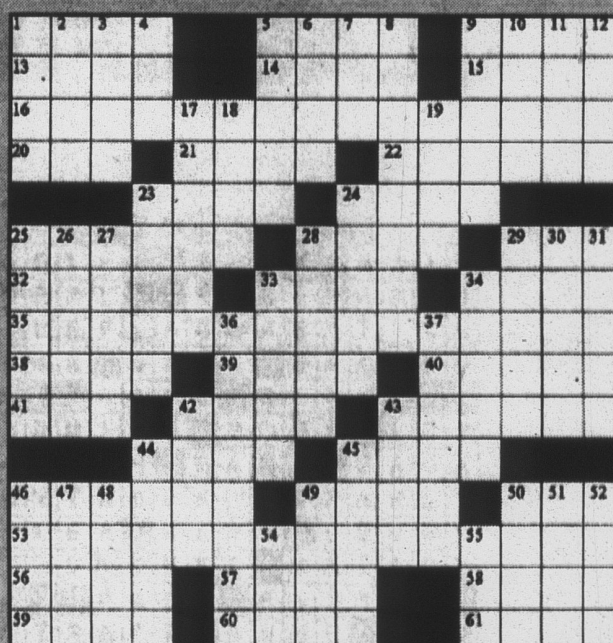


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18. Revolutionary hero
20. Leftovers
21. Cobras
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23. Runs the engine
25. DC spenders
27. Nairobi locale
29. Stars in Betsy's flag
33. Horatio
34. Wear away
35. Pugilistic dec.
36. Bellfry dwellers
37. Families
38. Buckeye state
39. Ear, prefix
40. FDR affliction
41. Slap
42. Franklin from Philadelphia
44. Comes before tough or up
45. Actress Gardner and others
46. Central Florida city
48. NASA's concern
51. Word before news or copy
52. Children's story locale
55. Midnight rider
58. Rex's brand
59. Rooney and Kaufman
60. Buenos
61. Act
62. Harness
63. Hollywood's Donna and Robert
64. Football players

## DOWN

1. New York college
2. Minerals
3. Revolutionary General
4. Gore and Capp
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7. Partakes
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9. Teacher's org.
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19. Mother-of-pearl
21. Apple chemical
24. Stains
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26. Lends a hand
27. Skewered meat
28. Inspire
29. AMTRAK equipment
30. Vermont Revolutionary leader
31. Getting by
32. Corners
34. Ancestral island
37. Deep sleep
38. October birthstone
40. Road worker
41. Herring relative
43. Smith of Charley's Angels
46. Paddled
47. Salad garnish
48. Box
49. Plate glass
50. German car
51. Present!
53. Imitated
54. Pea incubators
56. Hearing aid
57. Compete
58. Lime; Suffix



# HOROSCOPES

## Aries

You or someone close to you may blurt out a secret fantasy. The world may change for the better, as a result. A small luxury lets you feel enormously wealthy. Giving yourself a reason to smile doesn't have to break the bank.

## Taurus

Use your time as productively as possible. Individual achievements are possible within a working team structure. A game of one upmanship might ultimately benefit everyone.

## Gemini

This week's scenario is highlighted by someone who is about to call your bluff. Friendly rivalry is an inclusive sport rather than a cutthroat contest.

## Cancer

You'll bristle with energy this week. Some people may be frightened by the roar of your laughter. Those who love intensity are happy to call you their friend.

## Leo

Events could move faster than you would have preferred, you might as well lie back and enjoy the attention you receive. Try not to let underlying discord ruin your mood any more than necessary. Let the facts speak for themselves.

## Virgo

You may not be very persuasive at the moment. Allow someone else make the moves and see where they lead to. You can learn some amazing things and have fun while learning. Dynamic changes may be better left for others right now.

## Libra

You are in a unique position of power, others will respond to your slightest suggestion. Your best work is with a group, especially when there's a high-minded idea involved.

## Scorpio

Recent moodiness may have made you feel a little sad, but this week you'll feel glad to be alive. Your ability to be unique in all you do will result in your meeting the right people at the right time.

## Sagittarius

You're doing such a good job at running your own life that your friends are asking for advice. You can afford a little time off to help someone else. Remember that you can only say so much, experience is still their best teacher.

## Capricorn

Your mind is capable of so much, including the overstepping of its own boundaries. Get a second, trusted opinion before doing anything rash. Common sense is your best advisor.

## Aquarius

Keep a pad and pencil with you, you are likely to see so many interesting things, many more than you could possibly remember. Write it all down. You may have strayed from the mainstream, recently, but you know what is expected of you & how to achieve your goals.

## Pisces

Leave nothing to chance when trying to make an effective point. Don't let your jokes get out of hand. People will definitely remember you, but it could be for all the wrong reasons. It's hard for you to sit still.

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**BODY FAT ANALYSIS**, Monday April 10, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Student Health Center. Stop in at the Health Center or call EXT. 7927 to sign up for a time slot to see Peggy Smith, R.N. from the education department of the Jameson Memorial Hospital.

**TUESDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP**, April 11, 7 a.m. in Lindley Dining Hall. Leader of the week is Timothy A. Sherwood.

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## FRIDAY 7

Greek Week

8:00 a.m. Softball @ GLIAC South Cluster (Erie)

11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel

Golf @ Ashland Invitational

4:00 p.m. Black Student Union Recognition Day - Down Under

8:00 p.m. Eddie Ifft (comedian) - Down Under

10:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. JT's Cafe - Down Under

TBA Alpha Gamma Delta Retreat

## SATURDAY 8

Greek Week

Kappa Delta Girl Scouts Come to College Day

8:00 a.m. Softball @ GLIAC South Cluster (Erie)

11:00 a.m. Pi Sigma Pi Honors Reception - TUB Lounge

11:00 a.m. Alpha Phi Omega Story Hour - McGill Children's Library

11:00 a.m. Spring Honors Convocation - Chapel

TBA Kappa Delta Parents' Luncheon

TBA Track and Field @ Case Western Reserve Invitational

Golf @ Ashland Invitational

1:00 p.m. Baseball @ Findlay

6:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel - Please note time change

8:00 p.m. Sing-N-Swing - Orr Auditorium

## SUNDAY 9

8:00 a.m. Softball @ GLIAC South Cluster (Erie)

1:00 p.m. Baseball @ Findlay

TBA Men's Tennis @ Northwood

Golf @ Findlay Invitational

6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting @ Chapter House

7:00 p.m. Vespers - Chapel

9:00 p.m. "The Sopranos" - Down Under

10:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

## MONDAY 10

11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel

TBA Men's Tennis @ Wayne State

Golf @ Findlay Invitational

4:00 p.m. SWAT Information Meeting - CFH 116

5:30 p.m. Panhellenic Meeting - TUB Lounge

5:30 p.m. Phi Kappa Tau Meeting - HSC 152

6:00 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall

6:15 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112-113

6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - TBA

6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116

6:30 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311-312

8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230

8:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice - Chapel

TBA Piano Recital: Nancy DeSalvo - Orr Auditorium

## TUESDAY 11

Early Registration for Fall Semester 2000 - TUB A/B (starts at 3:00 p.m. each day)

Campus Club Spring Luncheon

Golf @ Slippery Rock Invitational

3:00 p.m. Softball @ Gannon

5:30 p.m. ARGO Staff Meeting - TUB TV Room

7:00 p.m. Sociology Career Fair - TUB Lounge

7:00 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal - Chapel

7:00 p.m. Sigma Nu Pledge Meeting - CFH 116

8:00 p.m. Foreign Film Festival: The Scent of Green Papaya, set in Vietnam (English subtitles) - Down Under

## WEDNESDAY 12

Early Registration for Fall Semester 2000 - TUB A/B (starts at 3:00 p.m. each day)

11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum: Alan Gittis, "Memories of the Women in My Life" - PH 131

1:00 p.m. Baseball @ Ashland, OH

5:00 p.m. Student Alumni Association Meeting - PH 311

7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116

7:00 p.m. Senior Voice Recital: Tammy Remaley - Chapel

7:00 p.m. SIG and PSS Dept. Program: Gang Member to Entrepreneur - Down Under

8:00 p.m. Student Pre-Law Association Meeting - PH 114

8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111

9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - TBA

9:30 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B

TBA Senior Recital: Tammy Remaley - Chapel

## THURSDAY 13

Early Registration for Fall Semester 2000 - TUB A/B (starts at 3:00 p.m. each day)

11:00 a.m. Support Staff Meeting - TBA PCMEA State Convention in Pittsburgh, PA (all day)

6:30 p.m. Sociology Interest Group Movie Night - Down Under

7:00 p.m. IFC Meeting - TUB Lounge

7:00 p.m. Newman Club Election - OM 210

8:00 p.m. Diversity Symposium: Roxanne Gupta, Classical Indian Dance with Hindu Mythologies - Orr Auditorium

9:30 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal - Chapel



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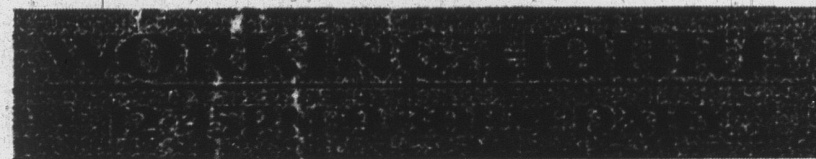
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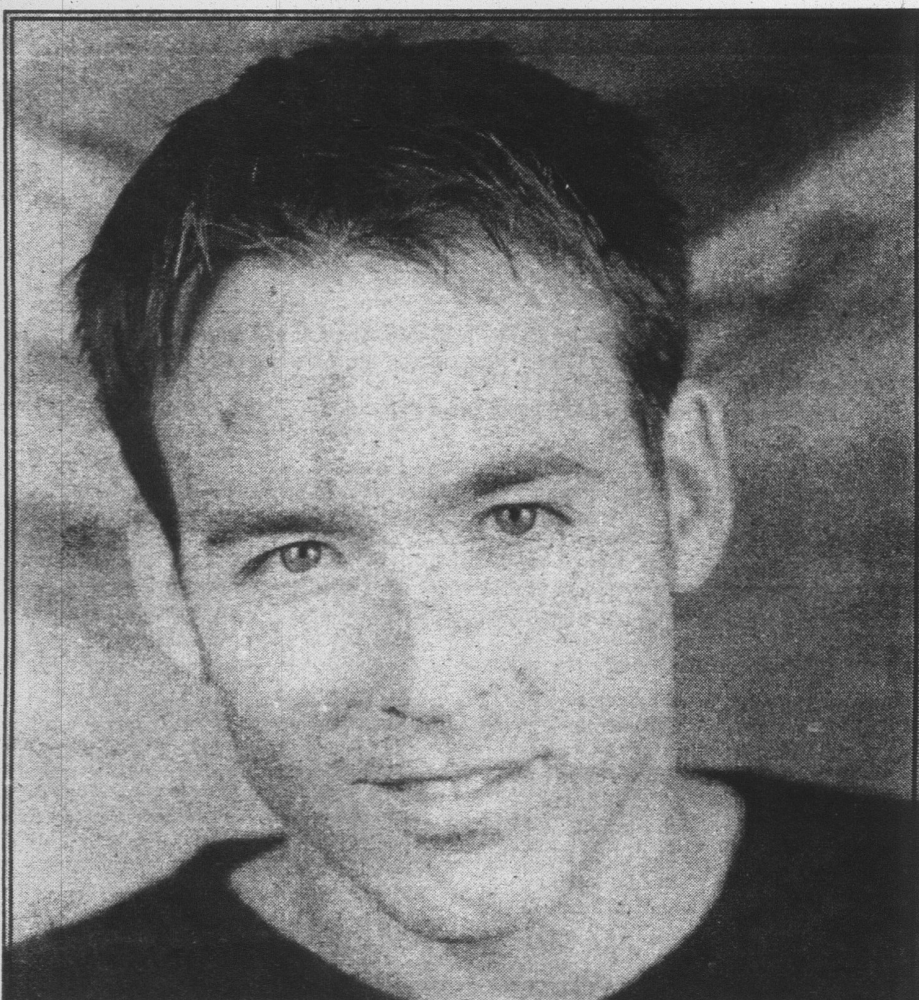
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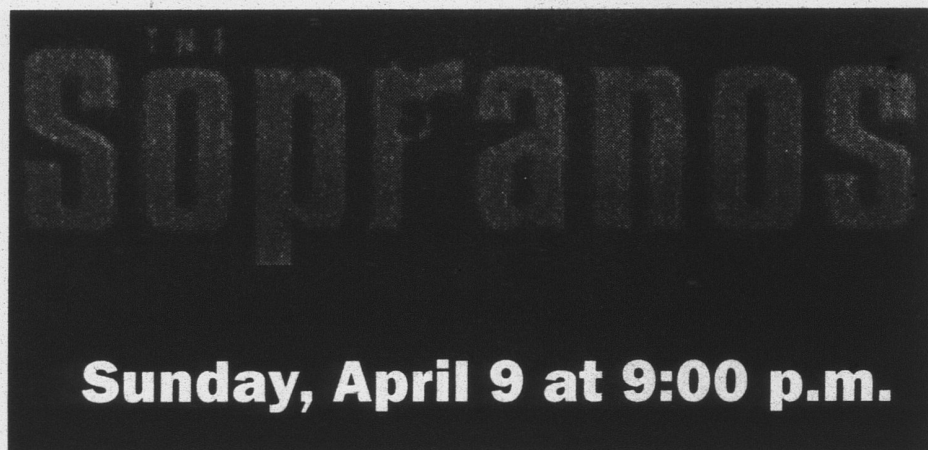
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## Week of activities unites Greeks



Photo by Jamie Reddinger

Last year's Miss Titan, Eric Harvey, presents Miss Phi Mu with "her" third place honors.

By Meghan Duda  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Despite cold and rainy weather for the majority of the week, Greek Week 2000 went on without a hitch.

The week of events ranging from kickball to Miss Titan, ended on Saturday at the awards ceremony where the sororities and fraternities were given their respective honors, which include bragging rights for the upcoming year.

Alpha Gamma Delta swept the events, winning all but four activities, so there was no surprise when they were recognized as the winners of Greek Week along with Sigma Nu.

"It was a really exciting week, especially for the Alpha Gam seniors to be able to win," Alpha Gam senior Sara Richards said.

Sigma Nu was also excited about their win.

"We took Greek Week more serious this year than we have in the past," junior Sig Nu Joe Ruck said. "We knew we could win it all, we just had to have everybody come together

and work hard."

Other events throughout the week were also recognized at the ceremony.

Individual awards included Miss Titan, Greek goddess and god, as well as brother and sister-of-the-year awards for their respective sorority and fraternities were announced.

Miss Titan 1999 Eric Harvey dutifully crowned Miss Alpha Sigma Phi, Matt Leeper, as Miss Titan 2000.

Seniors Brad Russo (Sig Eps) and Heather Lazzini (ZTA) were crowned god and goddess for their outstanding representation of the Greek system on campus.

"It was a really neat feeling to have everyone supporting me," Lazzini said. "What was even more exciting was the parents and faculty that came up to me afterwards and told me that they would have voted for me if they could."

Sister-of-the-year awards went to Kim Davis (AGD), Natalie Yingling (ZTA), Kim Maraugh (PM), Julie Waszczak (KD) and Melissa Wiley (SK).

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## Ceremony honors academic excellence

By Tammy Geiwitz  
STAFF WRITER

The annual event of the Spring Honors Convocation was held on April 8th in the Chapel. The event honored students who excel scholastically, while also honoring contributors to the college.

The convocation started with Michael J. Leiper, the president of Pi Sigma Pi giving the introductory remarks. After Leiper's remarks, Russell E. Martin, Professor of History, gave an address entitled, "When I Realized I Really Am A Nerd."

Then there was the Tapping for Pi Sigma

Pi, which was performed by Leiper, John Deegan Jr., dean of the college, and Jeffrey J. Kripal, Pi Sigma Pi adviser.

There were 69 students who became members of the Pi Sigma Pi. To become a member the student must have completed 80 semester hours to date with 3.6 or better quality point average.

The students who became new members are as follows: Mandy M. Albaugh, Emily C. Baldwin, Martine G. Barclay, Kerry L. Barker, Kimberly A. Barrett, Jennifer M. Bennett, Jared N. Boustead, Jodie B. Brocato, Kristy L. Bronder, Jon E. Brown, Rana D. Buck, Nicolette A. Buzza, Scott D. Campbell,

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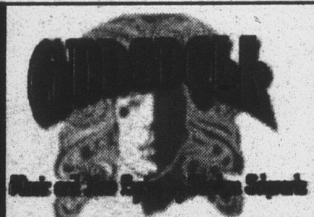
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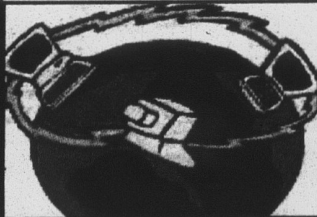
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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Argo's millennium photo benefits American Cancer Society

By Alyssa Detore  
STAFF WRITER

Would you like to enjoy a catered lunch outside on the football field for free? Would you like to have money donated to the American Cancer Society in your honor? Would you like to be involved in the most important photo of the millennium? If any of these activities sounds appealing to you, read on.

The ARGO is sponsoring a Millennium Photo on Saturday at 11:30 a.m. on the football field during Relay for Life. The photo

will be featured on the opening page of the senior section in the yearbook.

"Our goal is to get as many people in the ARGO as possible," sophomore Argo editor Andrea Bean said. "We're trying to include everyone, especially students who are not involved in campus activities so that they are able to have their picture in the yearbook."

The Argo will be donating twenty-five cents for the American Cancer Society to Relay for Life for each person participating in the photo. A picnic lunch will also be provided by Sodexo-Marriott services beginning at 11 a.m. Students may bring their student meal

cards to use for equivalency or pay a small fee at the entrance if they do not have a meal plan. The winner of the Student Organization Photo Contest will also be announced at this time.

Most students seem to be very enthusiastic about the event.

"This opportunity only happens once in a lifetime," sophomore Ryan Moore said.

"It sounds groovy. We'll definitely be there," freshmen Kiley Comosois, Betsy Dobbs and Romney O'Shane said.

"This is a new millenium and it should be remembered," senior Kim Davis said. "Since I am graduating, this photo will be extremely

memorable."

"I think this will get students more involved on campus and it gives them the opportunity to support a great cause," junior John Ciavarra said. "Most students will already be on the field for Relay for Life, so they might as well get their picture taken."

"This is something that has never been done before and we've had so much support for the event, so we're hoping it's a great success," Bean said. "We would really like to thank the admissions office, the faculty and entire college community for all their help and enthusiasm."

## Bacharach selection disappoints younger crowd

By Laurie Sampson  
STAFF WRITER

While many students may not recognize Burt Bacharach as anyone other than a guest performer in movies Austin Powers I and II, Bacharach's older audience has certainly not forgotten him.

On Monday, April 3, legendary composer Burt Bacharach entertained a sold out audience in Orr Auditorium as part of the college's Celebrity Series. His appearance seemed to excite the college campus and surrounding communities.

The limited number of tickets reserved for students were claimed within minutes of becoming available. People from outside the college began arriving as early as 5 p.m. for the 8 o'clock performance that evening.

Although most of his music was popular "before the time" of current college students, Bacharach still has many recent revivals and hits that students may know.

For example, bands such as R.E.M. and the Cranberries have recently recorded Bacharach tunes. Bacharach's music has also been included in popular soundtracks such as Forest Gump and My Best Friends Wedding.

Sophomore Jim McGovern was upset with the fact that few of these songs were performed in full.

"The email I got about the concert said that Bacharach would perform songs by Bob Dylan and Paul Simon-ones that students would know. But he just seemed to focus on the older people and most of the newer songs he just played parts of," McGovern said. "I was a bit disappointed."

Mary Lou Sample, 63, a resident of Hermitage and long time fan of Bacharach, thoroughly enjoyed the concert.

"It was fantastic; absolutely outstanding," Sample said. "It was one of the best shows I have ever seen here as part of the Celebrity Series. 'Heartlight' was my favorite song performed."

The audience exploded into applause as Bacharach stepped onto the stage and sat down at his piano without saying a word. He opened with a dynamic segment of the popular tune "What the World Needs Now Is Love," rousing a second outburst of applause from the audience.

Along with a small band and three singers, Bacharach performed two lengthy medleys that included well-known songs such as "Walk On By," "I Say A Little Prayer," "Wishin' and Hopin'," "Always Something There to Remind Me" and "Do You Know the Way to San Jose."

Despite the band and singers surrounding him, the spotlight never left Bacharach at his

piano as he swayed his head wildly with the music and conducted the band. When the medleys ended, the applause was so extensive that Bacharach was forced to bow twice and begin speaking before it stopped.

Bacharach continued the performance with other popular numbers, breaking between songs to share stories of his experiences with the audience.

"There are a lot of memories wrapped up in those songs," Bacharach said during an anecdote toward the middle of the show. "For me...and perhaps for you, too."

A lot of memories can be made in four decades, which is how long it's been since Bacharach broke into the business.

Although getting started in the '50s was difficult, Bacharach finally began his list of hits in the early '60s, and is now one of America's top songwriters. From rock and soul hits to Broadway show scores, few songwriters can compete with Bacharach's list of top ten successes.

Bacharach closed the show with his hit '80s tune, "That's What Friends Are For."

"I wanted to close with a song about love and friendship. You've shared that with me, and now I'd like to show it to you," Bacharach said to the audience.

Bacharach received three standing ovations before finally disappearing behind the curtain.

## Chapel drama to present *Godspell*

By Kylee Ellis  
STAFF WRITER

On Sunday, April 30th *Godspell* will be performed at 2:00 and 7:00 p.m. in the chapel as the annual chapel drama.

*Godspell* is a two act musical that tells about the life of Jesus and his teaching. *Godspell* is directed by juniors Matt Nichols and Matt Newman.

Throughout the show the actors will interact with the audience and ask for audience participation. In the second act Jesus announces that this is the beginning which means that they are ready to move through the sequence of events to the Crucifixion.

The original production of *Godspell* was performed by five men and five women. All the characters besides Jesus and John the Baptist/Judas are called by their first names of the original cast members.

"This play gives an opportunity for the actors to put their faith and theatre ability into effect and have fun," said Matt Nichols.

There are ten main characters who range from freshmen to seniors. They are Summerlea Hobbs, Stephany Apollon, Stacy Zak, Jesse Hollister, Brian Barrett, Matt Nichols, Donna Macurdy, Jeff Lagios, Jason Gabany and Keri Conger. Students also auditioned to be in the chorus for *Godspell*.

*Godspell* usually has a seventies theme when performed but for this show there is a slumber party theme. The show features singing and dancing by the actors.

"I have never been in a play before. *Godspell* gives me a chance to do something for God as well as for the campus," said senior Stephany Apollon.

"This is a wonderful chance for students who are not theatre majors to have experience in something that they love," said freshman Stacy Zak.

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Brother-of-the-year selections were Chad Taylor (Eps), Shane Jordan (Sig Nu), Dan Arnett (Alpha Sigs), Brian Miller (Phi Tau), and the entire graduating class of Theta Chi.

Brother and sister-of-the-year awards are voted on within the respective fraternities and sororities to nominate an individual that has exemplified extraordinary dedication to their chapter.

Theta Chi's group nomination wasn't the only unusual happening throughout the week.

When the curtain rose and music began for Phi Tau's Sing 'N Swing performance, a sign was lowered from the ceiling, which read "Phi Tau Loves Elian." They then broke the format by discussing the Elian Gonzalez issue with the Beach Boys', "Only God Knows", playing in the background. They were originally supposed to do a rendition of the musical *Joseph and the Technicolored Dream Coat*.

Overall, Greek Week was deemed a success.

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# Campus speaks up regarding Oral Communications

*This is the second article in a three part series on the First-Year program. Today's article focuses on the Speech portion of the program.*

By Laura Stanley  
STAFF WRITER

The skills of public speaking can be used in nearly every angle of life.

According to an Oral Communication First-Year program syllabus, "Communication skills will be necessary forever, in all aspects of your life, whether you are interacting with yourself, loved ones, coworkers, or the public.... The course will focus on public speaking, but the skills you build will be applicable to all other areas of your life. This first-year course is designed to complement activities and outcomes in Inquiry and Written Communications."

As listed on the syllabus, goals for students in the First-Year speech class are: the ability to understand the elements of communication, obtaining better listening skills, understanding the public speaking process and being able to give better public speeches.

Cary Horvath, professor of Speech at Westminster, recently wrote a paper on the First-Year Inquiry program entitled, "New Approaches: The Basic Course as Part of an Integral First-Year Program." Horvath presented the paper during November of 1999 at a National Communication Association Conference. According to Horvath, reviewing professors at the conference conveyed a

desire to have a similar first-year integral program as part of their curriculum.

"We have a good thing going, and something other schools envy," Horvath said.

Horvath, who has taught at Kent State, Thiel, and Youngstown, said it's harder for teachers to collaborate with each other for such a program at bigger schools. There were no integrated programs of speech and writing where Horvath previously taught.

As a result of her different experiences, Horvath believes students are better off with an integrated program because it prompts students to think about the connections between their classes.

Horvath said research is the link between speech, writing and Inquiry. Students use research to back up ways of knowing in Inquiry. Research papers are part of the writing curriculum. In speech, students need to present an informative speech to their peers.

"Knowledge in one class is directly linked to another class," she said.

Horvath said students gain foundational skills from the First-Year program, and continually use them through the rest of college and into a career.

"I feel the strength is in the integration and commonality of the program," she said.

Horvath has noticed that although students are generally satisfied with the First-Year program, negative emotion is mostly directed towards Inquiry II. She also said the biggest complaint she has heard from students about the program is the inequity between classes.

Walter Scheid has taught speech at Westminster for 35 years, and is retiring after this term. He said that most of the First-Year program is coordinated well, and possesses

noble ideas.

"From the feedback I get from students, they [First-year program staff] need to do some thinking about Inquiry II," he said.

Scheid said the First-Year program has improved greatly in two years. During the first year of Inquiry, speech and writing were taken by freshmen year-round. Each class met once a week. This schedule proved to be harmful for two reasons: students forgot their lessons easily, and teacher couldn't get to know their students. Eventually, this was fixed.

"If that had continued, it would have been a disaster," Scheid said.

Scheid has found that generally second semester speech students do better than first semester students. However, he doesn't attribute this to the Inquiry program. He thinks the improvement is caused by students being more settled at school.

According to Scheid, speech teachers of the First-Year program teach from a common syllabus, yet obtain their different teaching methods.

"We all teach the same thing, we just teach it differently," he said.

Part-time speech instructors are hired based on their experiences with the discipline, previous teaching experience and education. Westminster looks for instructors with a Masters degree in Communications. There are currently four part-time instructors in the speech department at Westminster College.

"I think it's [the department] as good as we can get it," Scheid said.

Eileen Hendrickson is a full-time speech instructor at Westminster. Although she has taught here previously, this is her first year

since Inquiry has been added to the curriculum.

"It seems to me it is very difficult to integrate three disciplines," she said. Hendrickson said that based on the feedback she receives from her students, some do not like the Inquiry aspect of the program very much.

Hendrickson said Inquiry can serve as a jumping off point for speech students as they prepare their topics. However, she doesn't think students should be limited to speaking on only Inquiry topics.

Freshman Luke Simon said speech professors should focus more on open class discussion in the classroom and not so much reading.

"Talking in class helps you to become more comfortable with speaking in front of other people," he said.

Simon thinks it's good that speech is mandatory for first-year students. "People who need it wouldn't take it if it wasn't mandatory," he said.

Freshman Chris Borst disagreed.

"They need to work some kinks out of the first-year program," he said. "Maybe students who don't need speech could test out of it."

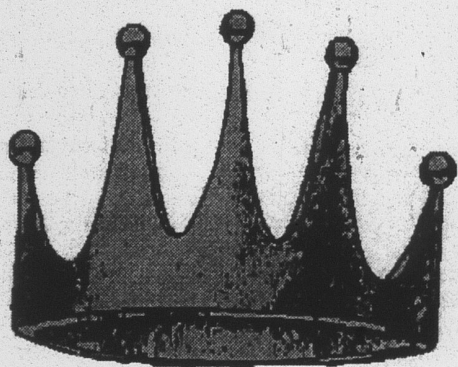
Sophomore Nate Pero took speech in high school, and last year as part of the First-Year program.

"It hasn't helped," he said.

"It depends on the individuals," Simon said. "Some people can't speak in front of others."

"It's a good idea if it's done right," Borst said. "I think the First-Year program has a lot of potential."

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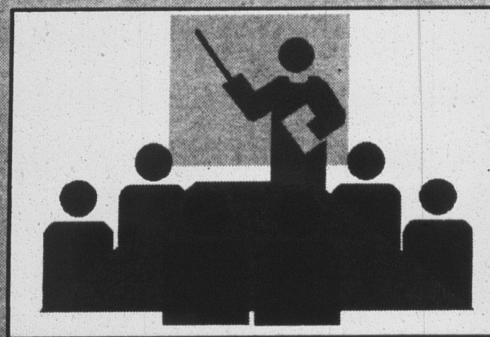
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Submit nominations in the form of a supporting letter  
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# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Family believes woman predicted her own death; police unsure

By Joe Mandak  
TRIBUNE-REVIEW

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** On a regular basis, the Tribune-Review will publish a story about an unsolved homicide case in the region. Anyone with information about one of these cases should call state police at (724) 832-3288 and ask for Cpl. Kenneth Karas or Trooper Brian Zimmerman.

Dale Jackson said his 25-year-old sister, Sandra Lee Jackson, repeatedly predicted her own death.

But that didn't lessen the blow for her family when the Pittsburgh woman was found, lying half-naked and dead of a drug overdose, in a roadside ditch in Derry Township on July 8, 1996.

In some way, Dale Jackson said, his sister's warnings made it even harder for her family because they're convinced she identified her killer, although the police are not.

Dale Jackson said his sister was trying to break free of a life of drug abuse and prostitution - and from an allegedly abusive boyfriend - in the months before she died.

"She was trying to get out of the lifestyle,

and he didn't like that," Jackson said.

"She told us we're gonna find her in the gutter on the side of the road, and that's exactly what happened, ain't it? If someone told you for months that something was gonna happen, and it ended up happening, what would you think?"

"My sister was trying to get away from the guy," he said. "I know it kills me, and it seems like (the police) are doing nothing."

But they are. State police Cpl. Kenneth Karas and Trooper Brian Zimmerman, who serve as the Criminal Investigation Assessment Unit at Troop A in Greensburg, are responsible for reinvigorating long-unresolved, or "cold case," death investigations.

Karas said the Jackson case is near the top of the list of 39 cases dating to 1968 that are being painstakingly reviewed.

Karas declined to name a suspect in the Jackson case, but said police are preparing to re-interview potential witnesses and suspects in the coming weeks.

One hurdle investigators must overcome: The case is considered a "suspicious death," meaning homicide is just one of several

options police are considering.

Sandra Jackson's partially clothed body was discovered in a weedy ditch by a man walking his dog along Township Route 881, near the Oasis Hotel Bar and Keystone State Park, just west of Route 981, about noon on a muggy, 88-degree day.

She died of a drug overdose, Karas said, and heroin was found in her system. Her blood-alcohol content was 0.117 - the state's legal limit for intoxication is 0.1 percent - although authorities believe it could have been as high as 0.26 percent before she died.

Sandra Jackson was wearing only a blue sweatshirt, bra and socks when she was found, and a discarded condom was found nearby. Karas declined to say whether police have obtained a DNA sample from it.

Based on the state of her body, Karas said Jackson died about 12 to 24 hours before she was found. She died either shortly before or almost immediately after her body was put in the ditch, he said.

Sandra Jackson, who lived in Pittsburgh's Mt. Washington section, was last seen in downtown Pittsburgh about 2:45 a.m. July 7. She was getting into a white, mid-sized car,



AP File Photo

Sandra Lee Jackson

driven by a white man, outside Sambino's Pizza and Lounge on Penn Avenue.

Her boyfriend was nearby when Sandra Jackson got into the car, police said. They believe she was wearing the same sweatshirt in which she was found.

### Girls avoid high-tech careers due to boring and anti-social nature

By Carmen J. Lee  
POST-GAZETTE EDUCATION  
WRITER

Bernardine Dias vividly remembers what it was like being the only female computer science major in her undergraduate class.

She recalls the abrupt change in atmosphere and conversation when she walked into a classroom or computer lab at Hamilton College in New York.

Then there were the half-joking comments from her male classmates about her intruding on their fun.

She was spared remarks about her competence, however. "I was one of the better students, so I never got the comments about women not being able to do it because that obviously wasn't the case," said Dias, 25, now a second-year graduate student in robotics at Carnegie Mellon University.

"But you feel lonely because you don't have any [female] peers to talk to."

The situation is different at Carnegie Mellon, where 37 percent of this year's freshmen computer science majors are women.

University officials attribute the difference to the effort Carnegie Mellon has made in recent years to help high school computer science teachers find ways to get more girls into their classrooms.

"It's not going to happen until people actually start doing something," said Lenore Blum, a Carnegie Mellon distinguished service professor of computer science.

That's also the conclusion of a two-year study released today by the American Association of University Women Educational Foundation.

The study, "Tech-Savvy: Educating Girls in the New Computer Age," found that girls avoid high-tech careers not because they don't

believe they can do the work but because they believe it's boring and anti-social.

"They're not phobic about computer technology but disenchanted by it," said Pamela Haag, research director for the AAUW Education Foundation. "What they are saying to us is: 'We can do this, but we don't want to.'"

The report recommends a variety of improvements in everything from computer games to teacher training to attract more women to high-tech fields.

The study involved work by a predominantly female commission of 15 researchers, educators, journalists and entrepreneurs. It also included a survey of 900 teachers, a focus group of 70 girls and reviews of existing studies.

"Tech-Savvy" elaborates on a report the AAUW foundation released two years ago about gaps in achievement between girls and

boys in math, science and technology.

Women make up just 9 percent of college graduates receiving engineering-related bachelor's degrees. Only 20 percent of high-tech jobs are held by women, according to the report.

Girls represent 17 percent of the high school students taking Advanced Placement computer science tests.

Haag attributes the underrepresentation to a combination of factors, including the persistent "computer geek" stereotype that many girls want to steer clear of and a lack of high-profile female role models.

"Their term was that they want to see a female Bill Gates," she said.

Girls are turned off by the violent computer games that have helped stimulate boys' interest in computers and computer games, Haag said. They also find programming classes tedious and dull.

### Water/copper contamination blamed for Leetsdale explosion

By Jonathan D. Silver  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

An explosion ripped through the casting shop of a copper plant in Leetsdale yesterday, injuring five workers, twisting water lines and dislodging 800-pound molds for the molten metal.

Three employees of Hussey Copper Ltd. were treated at area hospitals and released, but two others remained under care, one for second- and third-degree burns.

Managers expected the casting shop to be back up and running today after losing a half day of production. The explosion occurred around 11:40 a.m.

A plant executive speculated that the blast was triggered by water contaminating the copper during the casting process, when molten copper is poured into a mold and cooled by a water bath into solid cakes.

Under such conditions, the copper would encapsulate the water, causing it to turn to steam, build up pressure and explode, said Robert Peterson, Hussey's vice president of industrial relations.

"It'd be like taking the lid off a pressure cooker real fast," he said from outside an office at the company's sprawling 270,000-square-foot plant. "I heard the explosion up here, just like a boom. I knew what it was right away."

Peterson said the explosion was not caused by water from the cooling bath seeping into the mold.

Instead, internal investigators were focusing attention on the casting shop's water pipes. They are inspected monthly, and Peterson said they were likely last inspected in March. He did not have information available about the inspection.

"We believe one of the water lines may have broken underneath the casting operation," Peterson said, cautioning, however, that he did not yet know whether the explosion broke the water pipes.

Twelve workers were in the casting shop at

the time of the blast. Seven escaped unscathed, but the others were burned, bruised and injured by heavy debris.

Gerald States, 59, of Economy, was in critical condition at Mercy Hospital with burns over 10 percent of his body. States, the foreman at the plant, is Economy's council president. Ed Rhodes, 56, of Vandergrift, was treated for a head injury at Allegheny General Hospital, where he was in serious condition.

Treated at Mercy and released were Terrence Howard, 44, of Conway, who returned to work, and William Reeher, 25, of Hookstown. The fifth worker, whose identity was not available, was treated and released from Sewickley Valley Hospital.



## NATIONAL

## Israeli Prime Minister to discuss orderly retreat from Lebanon

WASHINGTON (AP) — Responding to a summons from President Clinton amid faltering U.S. peace moves, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak is making a hurried visit to Washington to plan for an orderly retreat from Lebanon and for more territorial concessions to the Palestinians.

Due to arrive at 3 a.m. Tuesday, Barak was to spend only 19 hours in the capital talking, in succession at Blair House, to senior U.S. negotiator Dennis Ross, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and presidential security adviser Sandy Berger. He then will cross Pennsylvania Avenue for an hour with Clinton at the White House.

In a policy shift rooted in reality, the

administration is beginning to cooperate with Israel on arranging a withdrawal of Israeli troops from southern Lebanon in July.

Supported by a friendly Lebanese militia, the troops have shielded villages in northern Israel from rocket attack by Hezbollah guerrillas backed by Iran and Syria. The United States was unable to negotiate an agreement to curb increasingly deadly guerrilla attacks on Israeli soldiers, however, and Barak, mindful of the toll's impact on the Israeli public, has decided to withdraw.

The United States and Israel had hoped the retreat could be part of an overall agreement with Syria and Lebanon, one that presumably

would have guaranteed the border's safety.

But U.S.-hosted talks in Shepherdstown, W.Va., broke down in mid-January, and the Clinton administration decided only recently to go along with and to facilitate a unilateral Israeli retreat.

Clinton is unlikely to have good news for Barak on the Syrian front Tuesday. The president was unable to resume the sidetracked negotiations in a head-to-head meeting with Syrian President Hafez Assad in Geneva last month.

While Barak has offered to relinquish virtually all of another strategic buffer area, the Golan Heights, he is trying to hold on to some

patches of land to protect the Sea of Galilee, Israel's precious water reserve. But Assad wants all land Syria lost to Israel in the 1967 Six-Day War.

The Israeli Embassy spokesman Mark Regev said "we have not closed the door, but obviously we are not optimistic."

The Palestinian front is more promising for results. Negotiators for Israel and the Palestine Authority are meeting in Bolling Air Force Base in southeast Washington.

Israel already ceded 40 percent of the West Bank and all of Gaza to Yasser Arafat's Palestinian Authority. Another chunk of land is to be given up in June.

## Marine Corps crash witnessed by another Osprey crew chief

WASHINGTON (AP) — The deadly crash of a Marine Corps MV-22 Osprey aircraft in Arizona last weekend was witnessed by the crew chief of another Osprey which experienced a hard landing just ahead of the accident, Marine Corps officials said.

Contrary to what the most senior Marine Corps aviation official told reporters Monday, however, the crash was not recorded on infrared tape by a Marine Corps F-18 fighter flying overhead. Marine Corps spokesman Capt. Rob Winchester said Tuesday that Lt. Gen. Fred McCorkle had been mistaken when he said the tape included images of the Osprey as it nosed into the ground Saturday.

Even without the tape, extensive technical information is expected to be revealed on the Osprey's flight data recorder. McCorkle said that should enable the Marines

to determine the accident's cause fairly quickly.

"I think within a week we'll have a pretty good idea" of the cause, McCorkle said.

The crash Saturday night was the deadliest air disaster for the Marines since 22 died in a helicopter crash in South Korea in 1989. The last crash of an Osprey was in 1992, when a prototype version crashed into the Potomac River near Quantico, Va., and killed seven people.

In Saturday's incident, the crew chief of a second Osprey, landing at the same airfield just ahead of the crash, saw the Osprey nose into the ground, McCorkle said. There was no distress signal from the plane and no other sign of trouble, he said.

McCorkle said the weather did not appear a factor. Winds were calm at the time, and visibility was 20 miles.

Four Ospreys were involved in the mission, plus the F-18 circling overhead. The F-18 was equipped with a Forward Looking Infrared system that enables the pilot to "see" targets through darkness, McCorkle said Monday.

Both the Osprey's co-pilots had extensive flying experience. Maj. John A. Brow had logged 97 hours in the Osprey, Maj. Brooks S. Gruber 86 hours. Brow had 3,777 total flight hours in various aircraft; Gruber had 2,117 hours.

The Osprey is unique in its ability to take off like a helicopter, rotate its propellers 95 degrees and fly like an airplane. It was attempting to land at an airfield in Marana, Ariz., about 30 miles northwest of Tucson, when it crashed, burned and killed the four crew members and 15 others on board.

They were participating in a test of how

the aircraft would perform in a simulated "noncombatant evacuation," a carefully choreographed rescue of civilians from a hostile environment.

McCorkle said it was unclear whether the Osprey had completed the transition from airplane mode to helicopter mode for landing.

The Marine Corps commandant, Gen. James Jones, called a temporary halt to flying Ospreys. "More than anything else it's out of respect for the families" of the victims, rather than a need to reinspect the remaining planes, McCorkle said. The Osprey, named for a diving bird of prey, is manufactured by Boeing Co. and Bell Helicopter Textron. A decision is due in October on moving from "operational evaluation," or field testing, to full-scale production. The current plan is for the Marines to buy 360 Ospreys, the Navy 48 and the Air Force 50.

## INTERNATIONAL

## British government proposes 24-hour pubs

LONDON (AP) — Hoping to cut down on rowdy scenes as thousands of Britons pour out of pubs simultaneously at the mandatory 11 p.m. closing time, the government proposed allowing pubs to stay open 24 hours a day.

Scrapping closing time was the centerpiece of plans to liberalize and streamline licensing laws that were inspired by fears of munitions workers getting drunk during World War I.

"Fixed closing times encourage binge drinking around last orders," Home Secretary Jack Straw told the House of Commons. "The

result is lots of people hitting the streets - and sometimes each other - at the same time."

Under the government proposals, released as a discussion paper, any pub, licensed cafe or restaurant can apply to stay open for 24 hours, seven days a week.

While some U.S. cities and towns are moving toward earlier bar closings to combat heavy drinking, in Britain, the bureaucrats, police and bartenders all believe that longer hours - allowing for staggered closing times - will reduce binge drinking and alcohol-related crime.

"This is a step in the right direction toward the repeal of archaic laws set during wartime," said Mary Curnock, director of the British Institute of Innkeeping which represents 16,500 licensees.

In practice, police and pub keepers expect the 24-hour licenses to be confined to the centers of London and other big cities, with the main aim being to stagger closing times between 11 p.m. and 3 a.m.

The new policy, which could be law by the summer of 2001, would bring Britain into line with other European countries.

## North and South Korea begin talks

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — The leaders of North and South Korea have agreed to meet for the first time, marking a major step forward in relations between the two nations that technically remain at war.

South Korean President Kim Dae-jung will travel to the North Korean capital for a "historic meeting" with his counterpart, Kim Jong Il, South Korean Unification Minister Park Jae-kyu said at a news conference.

The June 12-14 summit would be the first between the two rival Korean states since the division of their peninsula into the communist North and the capitalist South in 1945.

The two countries fought a 1950-53 war and never signed a permanent peace treaty. Today, they share a heavily fortified border and 37,000 U.S. soldiers are based in the South to guard against any threat from the North.

Monday's simultaneous announcements in Seoul and Pyongyang were likely to boost the fortunes of South Korea's ruling Millennium Democratic Party in parliamentary elections on Thursday.

It is hoped the summit will "promote national reconciliation, unity, exchanges and peaceful unification," Park said.

"Both sides decided to have a preliminary contact to discuss procedural matters" this month ahead of the summit, said the Korean Central News Agency, North Korea's foreign news outlet.

## Israeli soldier extradited to Canada to face charges

JERUSALEM (AP) — A court allowed on Monday the extradition of an Israeli soldier to Canada to face murder charges, the first test of a new law permitting Israeli citizens to be handed over for trial abroad.

Lawyers for Daniel Weiz planned to appeal the decision to the Supreme Court, but the 19-year-old soldier appeared willing to go on trial in Canada.

"It doesn't matter where I stand trial, I'll be found innocent," Weiz told The Associated Press as he was led from the courtroom in handcuffs and leg chains.

Weiz is charged with second degree mur-

der in the November killing of Dimitri Baranovski, 15, in a Toronto park during a scuffle over money and a pack of cigarettes.

Two other teen-agers are in custody in Canada, facing charges.

Weiz has admitted that he was in the park but denied kicking and stomping Baranovski to death. Weiz, who was in Toronto visiting his father at the time, lives with his mother in Israel.

Until now Weiz has resisted returning to Canada for trial, saying Israel is his home, and he wants to rejoin his army unit.

In his five-page decision, Jerusalem District Court Judge Zvi Cohen ruled there is

enough evidence to warrant a trial, though some of it is contradictory.

Defense attorney Nitzana Darshan-Leitner said she would appeal, arguing that the evidence against Weiz is false and that he is being framed by the other teen-agers.

Moshe Ronen, president of the Canadian Jewish Congress, welcomed the ruling. He said it shows that Israel is not "a refuge for criminals."

Under Israel's new extradition law, an Israeli citizen can be extradited for trial abroad if there is a promise that the citizen would be returned to Israel to serve a sentence if convicted.



# SPORTS

## Golf team places fourth after battling poor weather conditions

By Mike Burnett  
STAFF WRITER

The golf team was on the road this past weekend to compete in tournaments at Ashland, Findlay and Slippery Rock Universities. The team had to travel with four players instead of the usual five, which made it tougher for team since none of the scores would be thrown out. However, the focus was diverted away from the play of the teams and redirected to the weather.

Play at Ashland was cancelled due to thunder and lightning after the field completed nine holes. The Titans arrived at the course for the second day of play only to find that the

tournament had been cancelled altogether.

"The weather really wasn't bad until we got done with nine holes," freshman Drew Aufderheide said. "I was glad we didn't play on Saturday because the snow was flying, and it didn't look like it was going to stop."

The team decided to return to campus on Saturday before making the trip to Findlay for the next tournament. The Findlay Invitational presented a new situation to the Titans. The event was drier yet more challenging.

Sunday's round was played in winds of 40 miles per hour and gusts up to 50 miles per hour. The sky was clear, however; and the scores showed how difficult the course played. The second day was much different

from the first. The winds died down, and the temperature rose about ten degrees.

The Titans' scores dropped dramatically from the first day to the second. Leading the way for the Titans were Drew Aufderheide (82-75=157), Dave Blazek (81-79=160), Mike Burnett (87-77=164) and Ryan Grissett (90-83=173).

"The course was like two different places," senior Ryan Grissett said. "The course probably played at least five strokes easier on Monday and probably more."

The Slippery Rock tournament was wet and cold, with rain early followed by a drop in temperature. The scores of most of the teams

were high for a par 70 golf course.

The Titans placed fourth out of eleven with a team total of 311. Pacing the Titans were Dave Blazek with a 73, Mike Burnett with a 78 and Drew Aufderheide and Josh Latore each with scores of 80. Blazek tied for second place but lost in a three-way playoff to two players from Slippery Rock.

"I was happy to have an opportunity to play," said freshman Josh Latore. "I hope to play the rest of the spring season and become a more consistent player on this team."

The Titan golf team has upcoming tournaments at Penn State-Behrend on April 20 and Mercyhurst at the end of the month.

## Lady Titans face another double-header split against Gannon

By Luke Schuster  
STAFF WRITER



Photo by Amy Nansen

Julie Purvis, Darcy Sutton, Courtney Behm and Bethany Pinkerton gather on the mound to discuss team strategy.

The Lady Titan softball team returned to action on Wednesday against Gannon University after several postponed games due to weather. The Titans split the double-header increasing their record to 4-4 in the GLIAC and 16-10 overall.

Gannon University started the game off by scoring the first two runs of the game in the first two innings, but the Titans cut the lead in half in the top of the fourth, when freshman Julie Purvis scored on a Gannon fielding error.

Gannon scored two more runs in the bottom of the fifth securing the victory. Gannon was able to hold Westminster to just two hits the entire game, and caused freshman Dracy Sutton to suffer her first pitching loss of the season, dropping to 7-1 after allowing three earned runs.

"We should have stepped it up," junior Melissa Bajus said about the last innings of the first game. "We could have won, if we would have played better as a team."

The Titans proved that they could play as team in the second game of the double header as they defeated Gannon 5-4. The game was tied 1-1 most of the game, until the Lady Titans added two runs in the bottom of the fifth for a 3-1 lead. Gannon added one bringing them within one run of the Titans, but the Titans were quick to answer, scoring two more runs in the bottom of the sixth for a 5-2 lead. Gannon scored two more times in the top of the seventh and had base runners on first and second, but the fielding and pitching of Westminster was too much.

"Just when things looked bad, the team pulled together and was able to hold off Gannon from scoring," junior pitcher Bethany Pinkerton said.

The Titans will return to action in a double header yesterday against Slippery Rock University.

"The team should be ready to play against Slippery Rock," Bajus added. "Slippery Rock is one of our biggest rivals, and if we play like we did in the last game against Gannon we should be able to two wins to the season."

## Titans drop two to Ashland University

By Jon Bish  
STAFF WRITER

The Titans lost both games of a two game to their host, Ashland University, today. The Titans now hold a 7-15 overall record. Losing 19-0 in the first and 18-2 in the second game puts Westminster 4-10 in the GLIAC Conference.

Ashland scored nine runs out of five hits by the middle of the third inning in the first game pitched by Titan Senior Brian Zima. Westminster senior Jason Smith, freshmen Matt Pourmaras, and Rob Thompson each hit singles, though no runs were scored.

"Ashland was a good team, but we made a lot of errors that led to unearned runs," sophomore Joe Fraas.

In the second game, Junior Tim Voelp was the Titan's losing pitcher. Freshman Bobby Campbell scored after his pinch-hit double in the fifth inning.

This weekend the Titans stay home to host a four-game series against Wayne State University. A double-header starts the games at 1 p.m. this Saturday.

## HONORS from page one

Deegan then recognized those who have won scholarships, prizes and awards. There were 38 scholarships that were recognized. Nine prizes and awards were also recognized.

Deegan said, "I am pleased that as an academic community we can gather to pay tribute to our students for their hard work, academic accomplishments, creativity and triumphs."

Deegan also recognized those students who are Dean's List, Trustee, Tower, and Westminster Scholars. There were 488 students honored for being on the Dean's List. To be recognized on the Dean's List, the students have to achieve a quality point average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale during the Fall Semester of 1999-2000. There were 423 stu-

dents honored for being a Trustee, Tower and Westminster Scholar. These students are first year students who have been recognized by the College for their outstanding high school records and have been awarded merit scholarships.

There was also recognition of the all-college national honor societies. The first society represented was the Lambda Sigma, a national honor society for sophomores founded in 1976. Members of the Lambda Sigma are selected at the end of their first school year and are recognized for outstanding character, scholarship, leadership, and service.

The Mortar Board, a national honor society for seniors founded in 1918. Members of this honor society are to promote scholarship,

service, and responsible leadership. The third honor society was the Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honor society founded in 1914. Members of the Omicron Delta Kappa are selected on the basis of exemplary character and superior quality in leadership and scholarship.

The convocation also thanked all of the contributors to the scholarship programs, both endowed and non-endowed.

"We also want to pause to say 'thank you' to those whose support, sacrifice, and love have helped to make these opportunities possible," Deegan said.

Following the convocation, there was a reception in the TUB Lounge for parents, students, faculty, administration and staff.

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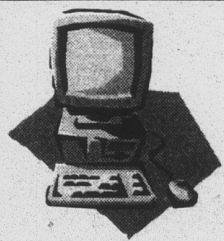
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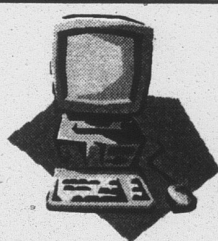
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## BYTES & PCs



### Maintenance tips to keep your computer running as good as new

Just as your car needs an oil change every 3,000 miles, your PC needs maintenance to keep it running smoothly. Here are some actions you can take to assure your PC's good health.

First and foremost, make sure your PC is virus-free. Having a virus checker installed on your PC is just the first step. You have to keep updating the virus signatures to maintain that protection. Hackers and virus makers are busy all the time creating new mischief for computer users. So anti-virus software manufacturers constantly create "inoculations" against new viruses.

If you have Norton or McAfee anti-virus software, you can run a "live update" and download the latest virus signatures for your computer's protection. If you have another anti-virus software, check its on-line Help menu for the update procedure.

After updating your computer with the latest virus signatures, you must let the anti-virus software scan your computer's hard disk to search for any hidden viruses and repair them. You can also schedule your software to scan your hard drive regularly. It's a good idea to schedule this when your computer can be left on but you are not urgently needing to use it—such as on Friday evenings or over a mealtime.

Another step to take toward optimizing your computer's capabilities is to run the diagnostic tools that come with Windows 95 and 98. The first is ScanDisk. This tool finds and identifies problems on your hard disk and either repairs the disk or excludes the areas that have problems.

Before you run ScanDisk you must close all programs. Be sure your anti-virus software is disabled and any screen savers are turned off. It is also advisable to back up your data before running this utility.

Then click on the Start menu and choose Programs, then Accessories. In the System Tools folder, choose ScanDisk. Be sure to check "Thorough" and "Automatically Fix Errors" and click the "Start" button. When the utility has finished running, it will display a report, letting you know if any problems were found and showing you the statistics of your hard drive. If everything has been cleared up, you can close ScanDisk and move on to the next step.

As you use your computer, copying and deleting files, segments of your files get separated from each other. This tends to slow things down as the system must gather all the pieces of a file together when you open it. Defragmenting your hard drive will rearrange files and unused space on your hard disk so that programs run faster. To defragment your hard drive, click on the Start button, choose Programs, then Accessories. In the System Tools folder, click on Disk Defragmenter. Choose the drive you want to defragment, and click OK. If Windows prompts you that the drive is less than 10% fragmented, choose to run the utility anyway.

Don't forget to re-enable your anti-virus software when you have completed this maintenance. You can repeat these steps every month or so to keep your PC running in tiptop shape.

A tip to all computer users: name the file you are working on as you start to work. Click the "Save" icon often as you work. This will ensure that even if there is a problem like a power failure, your work will not be completely lost. Also, make a second copy of your work either on your network home directory or on a floppy or zip disk for insurance. Electronic data is not 100 percent immune from loss. Having a back-up copy can save hours of duplicate work.

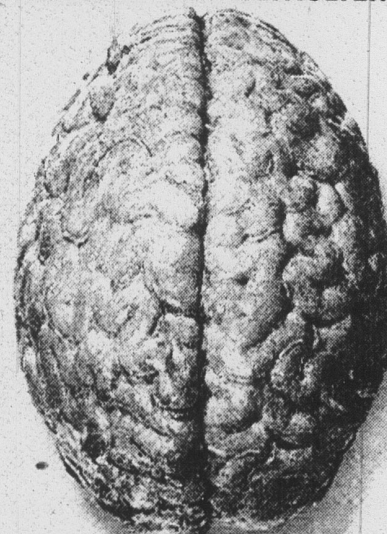
## Salute a Senior

If you would like to give a graduating senior a pat on the back or wish them luck in the future, say it in *the Holcad*.



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# OPINION

## Question of the week

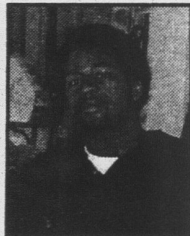
**Do you think students are represented well in campus publications?**



**Lindsey Braem,**  
sophomore  
"No, the opinions given are strong, but too individual and sometimes close-minded to encompass the entire campus."

**Don Kelley,** senior  
"Yes, because students write them so they are represented."

**Joseph Stamper,**  
junior  
"Yes, the campus is so homogenized, it's not that hard."



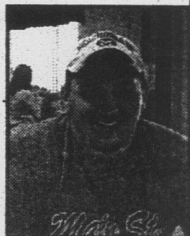
**Brad Dell,** sophomore  
"I think students are represented as well as the appear to want to be."



**Gina Cecchetti,** freshman and **Tracy Gesselman,** sophomore  
"Yes, it represents the students well and gives us a sense of what's going on around campus."

**Caryn Nicholson,** freshman  
"No, the editorials don't seem to be written from the perspective of a college student."

**Joe Bianco,** freshman  
"No, I think if you don't hold a position on the Holcad then your opinions won't get across."



## OUR VIEW: Census 2000

This past week, every resident on campus found a Census 2000 form with his or her name on it, literally. Of course, there was the usual murmur of complaints and apprehension about filling it out, but the adversity might just be a trickle down effect from government leaders.

Late last month, GOP presidential candidate George W. Bush was quoted by CNN as saying that he understands why people don't want to give "that kind of information" to the government and continued by saying that if he receives the long form, he's not sure whether he'll fill it out either. Bush later commented that "if they're worried about the government intruding into their personal lives, they ought to think about it (not filling the form out)."

Many people are concerned with privacy issues like Mr. Bush. However, Federal law (Title 13, United States Code) mandates that no one outside the Census Bureau can ever be given any information that would enable them to connect your answers with your name and address. You become a statistic rather than a name.

It also says that before anyone inside the Census Bureau sees your completed questionnaire, they must first be sworn to secrecy. If they violate this oath they face a fine of up to \$5,000 and prison term up to five years. (And yes, this does include everyone who distrib-

uted them on campus.) The Census Bureau is so strict about adhering to the laws that not even the president of the United States is permitted to look at individual census records.

The second issue that many inquire about is the benefits of the census to their own lives. What many people don't understand is that the census benefits the citizens just as much as the big-wigs in Washington.

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As college students on the brink of entering the working world, we should be especially concerned about giving accurate and complete information for a few reasons. First, the census helps employers understand where the next generation of workers is coming from which then influences their recruitment efforts. Businesses use the numbers to decide

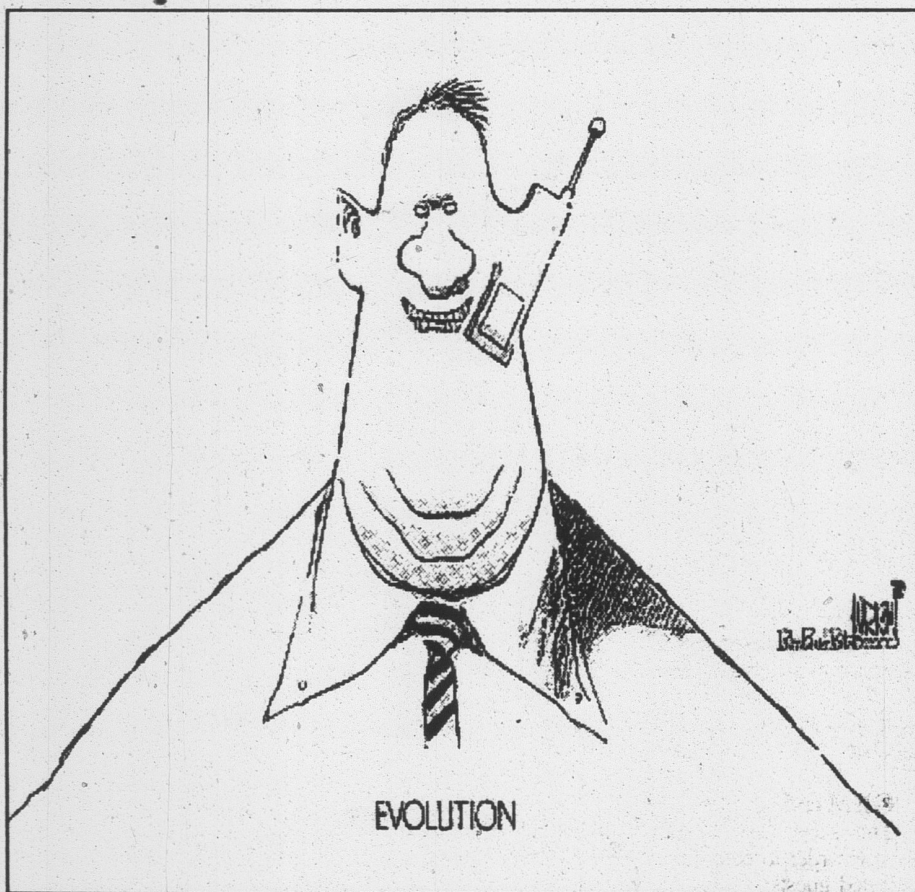
where to locate factories, shopping centers, movie theaters, banks and offices, which could lead to the creation of new jobs. Also, job centers and public transportation services may then be developed in eligible areas of your community.

It's a good way to tell our leaders what we need. The numbers are also used to help determine the distribution of hundreds of billions of dollars in federal and state funds, which includes hospitals, highways and school lunch programs. It is also beneficial in developing maps for 911 emergency systems as well as helping health providers predict the spread of disease through communities with children or elderly people. The census also alerts rescuers to how many people may need their help during natural disasters.

If you don't fill out your form, the count is inaccurate. And yes, every single person does count. The region risks losing millions in government aid and services if the count isn't accurate. One estimate puts the loss at \$3,391 per person missed over the next 10 years.

So, yes, the long form can be a pain to get through, but what is our society coming to when we can't take five minutes to fill out a form that is going to benefit us in the end? Are we that lazy? Don't follow the example that G.W. Bush is setting for us, do your community a favor, take a few minutes and fill out the form.

## EDITORIAL CARTOON



### Do you have an opinion?

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If you have an opinion to voice about any campus related topic, write a letter to the editor. Letters should be turned into the Holcad no later than Monday at noon, and they will appear in the following Friday edition. Please limit your letters to 300 words or less. Also, be sure they are typed and include the name of the author(s).

Letters can be e-mailed to [holcad@westminster.edu](mailto:holcad@westminster.edu), sent by campus mail to box 157, or dropped off at the Holcad office in the top of the TUB.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



## HIGH FIDELITY review

### D. Bash

For a movie that simply plods along for two hours without changing pace, building tension, offering release, or a strong climax, *High Fidelity* manages to work and perhaps even succeed.

Based on Nick Hornby's 1995 novel, *High Fidelity* gives an inside look at the life of Rob (John Cusack). A vinyl enthusiast, Rob owns a record store (whose stock only slightly outnumbers his personal collection) and his life has taken on a characteristic of this movie: stagnant, without feeling like it's really moving anywhere. Rob has the potentially annoying habit of making top five lists and it's his list of top five breakups that gives the movie any hint of a plot or framework.

Though a bit silly at times, *High Fidelity* strikes a few of the right romantic chords, playing off of the feelings of loneliness, rejection, and heart break familiar to anyone with a heart. It's Rob's lack of fidelity that makes his relationships interesting, and we get to know about all the important ones, beginning with his first girlfriend in 7th grade (it lasted 6 hours) all the way to his most recent with Laura (Iben Hjele).

These snippets of Rob's love life act like parts of a collage, making up a coherent whole, but failing to create a big impact. Instead, we are left with a variety of pieces which all work to varying degrees.

The scenes from Rob's Record shop, Championship Vinyl, pull the weight of the laughs. Fellow record store clerks Dick (Todd Louiso), and Barry (Jack Black of Tenacious D who you might recognize from the Foo Fighters "Learn To Fly" video), share a few scenes with Cusack that could call for repeated viewing.

Despite its lack of structure, *High Fidelity* pulls through. In fact, the wash of emotion and laughs the movie becomes may actually enhance the viewing experience. As *High Fidelity* moves along, slowly and unobtrusively, Rob's heart-break allows us to sink into it and remember our own broken hearts, while the laughter reminds us that there's always hope, no matter how bad your worst five break ups were, or turn out to be.

### Ash

Finally, after a terrible streak of picking bad movies to review, we have come across a quite interesting and entertaining film, *High Fidelity*.

*High Fidelity* is basically a platform created to display John Cusack's abilities as an actor. The film was co-written and produced by Cusack, and does an excellent job of catering it's script and main character's dry, sardonic, personality to that of Cusack's.

*High Fidelity* has many likenesses to such movies as *Empire Records*, *Clerks*, and *Reality Bites*. The primary setting for the movie is Rob's (John Cusack - *Grosse Pointe Blank*) record store

Championship Vinyl. Rob and his two workers Dick (Todd Louiso - *Eight Heads in a Duffel Bag*) and Barry (Jack Black - *Enemy of the State*) are music guru's always questioning each other's, as well as the customer's, knowledge or ignorance in the area of music trivia.

The setting, as well as the characters' eclectic personalities, and sometimes cutting and insulting commentary reminds me much of the humor of *Clerks* staged on the set of *Empire Records*.

The plot of the movie primarily deals with Rob's love life, and problems with relationships. Throughout the movie Rob has direct conversations with the camera to keep the audience informed and to draw them into the movie as secret confidants. Rob discusses his top five worst breakups, and proceeds to contact them throughout the movie. Through seeing and talking to his exes, he continually comes to new realizations and becomes evermore enlightened about love, life and himself.

The movie wasn't very fast paced. At times it seemed to lag. However, it was always interesting. It seemed well written with an underlying note of self-deprecating humor in almost every scene. The ending seemed like a bit of a sellout. Being that the rest of the movie was very cynical, the happy ending seemed a bit too cheery. However it worked and wasn't a letdown.

The acting in the movie was very good. Cusack shined as the main actor, and played the role of his character Rob Gordon perfectly. The cast was studded with many famous actresses playing the roles of Rob's girlfriends. The faces of Catherine Zeta-Jones, Lili Taylor, Lisa Bonet and Natasha Gregson danced across the screen and in and out of relationships with Rob.

Rob's music store cohorts Dick and Barry created a perfect complimentary background for Cusack. Dick was quiet and calm with a mousy type of personality, quite to the contrary to the cynical, sarcastic, degrading and insulting personality of Barry. However, it was Barry who was the centerpiece of every scene he was in. He stole the show. He was amazingly funny, always highly condescending, and full of taunts. Not only was this chubby, greasy character full of wonderful commentary, but his body language was amazingly funny as well.

One of the funniest scenes in the movie deals with the character Ian (Tim Robbins). Ian is presently seeing Laura, Rob's last girlfriend. In this scene Ian enters the store to talk to Rob, who is not in the mood to converse with this pastholi wearin', long-haired, make-love-not-war, hippie. The scene has three different endings, the last of which is the most hilarious and a crowd pleaser.

*High Fidelity* really shone through as the epitome of a good romance/comedy. The cast and script had all the necessary elements to make the movie funny, but not cheesy. If you're a Cusack fan, a fan of *Clerks*, or are just in the mood to see a humorous movie, *High Fidelity* is a good pick.



## Vic Henley to perform at the Down Under

By Kendra McClymonds  
A & E EDITOR

Comedian Vic Henley will perform this Saturday night at 8 o'clock in The Down Under.

Henley, a self styled "funnyman," blends southern charm with quick wit and good-natured humor. He is a former VH-1 veejay who has been referred to as a "cross between Opie Taylor and Don Rickles." His thick southern accent adds to his satiric commentary on the south and life in America in general.

In the past Henley has performed with such well-known comedians as Dennis Miller and Saturday Night Live star, Dana Carvey. Henley is also known for his book, *Things You'd Never Expect a Southerner to Say*.

Be sure to stop by the Down Under as Henley charms his audiences with his homespun, "good ol' boy" humor. His high energy makes for a lively, up-beat show, so don't miss it this Saturday at 8 p.m.

## HOROSCOPES

### ARIES

Be careful this week not to antagonize those you come into close contact with on a daily basis no matter how irritable you may feel. Your main trouble is being homesick and your vacation is still weeks away.

### TAURUS

Mixing and partying is favored for this week as you find yourself besieged with countless invitations to friends and family. Put your family priorities first and the others will understand and not be too disappointed.

### GEMINI

This is a good time to put in for a few days leave in order to help the family prepare for expected guests. This could turn out to be a lucky week for you as you get one break after the other both at work and in your personal life.

### CANCER

Be careful this week with credit cards; if

you forget and lay them around they could be gone before you have time to think about it. Adding decorative touches to your home will take a lot of your time and thought this week as you give the place a 'facelift' for Springtime.

### LEO

Your mood this week is positive and upbeat, which will allow you greater self-control and creativity than you would have thought possible. You and your love sets the wedding date.

### VIRGO

You may be feeling and acting absent-minded this week so be careful that in this off hand manner you are not harsh with a co worker who is guilty of nothing more than trying to do their job the best way they can.

### LIBRA

It is not a good week for reaching any kind of agreements with business partners so this is best left for another week when you two are thinking more alike on certain subjects.

### SCORPIO

Signing up for a lecture or a seminar may be just the ticket for you, if nothing else it will help get your mind off of some personal worries and allow some breathing room to your

significant other.

### SAGITTARIUS

Being careful how you phrase statements this week could help you avoid some personal pitfalls and arguments with the spouse. If you do go off the deep end there is always compromise.

### CAPRICORN

Try not to take anyone for granted this week as it could carry some unexpected consequences in your business or personal life. A lover wants consideration so watch it. Children are good for the next few days.

### AQUARIUS

Banish careless thinking and actions this week if you preserve your health and/or happiness. Keeping your mind on the task at hand will be difficult for you but you will be able to do it.

### PISCES

This week should find you in agreement with the ideas of those close to you or reaching agreements with those you have reason to come into contact with. Your partnership interests are highlighted this week, both personal and business, but mainly personal as you and a loved one make some decisions that will determine your future.



# CLASSIFIEDS

## FOR SALE/RENT

Apartment for summer rent, May 15 - August 15. \$750 for entire summer. Two bedrooms w/ double beds, full size bathroom, living room, kitchen, and dining room. Close to campus. Call Julie at 946-3733.

Guitar for sale: Jackson Dinky XL reverse head stock 24 fret electric guitar. Jet black, fairly good condition. Stock pickups include nylon bag case and one way tremelo. All hardware also included. Originally purchased \$350, asking \$150 obo (cash only). Call Roxanne at EXT 7769.

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## EMPLOYMENT

Student Hosting Program of New England has approximately 50 paid summer job opportunities for teenage bike-touring trips in the U.S., Canada and Europe. Salary ranges from \$1980-\$2640 and the deadline for application is June 1. Write to Student Hosting Program, Ashfield Road, P.O. Box 419, Conway, MA 01341-1419 or call Ted Lefkowitz at 1-800-343-6132, or check the website: [www.biketrips.com](http://www.biketrips.com).

The Juilliard School in New York City has internships available in technical theater and arts administration. The experience is full time and runs from September through May. A stipend of \$231 per week is provided. The deadline is June 1 with notification of accep-

tance by July 1, 2000. For more information call (212) 799-5000 EXT. 7102 and speak with Helen Taynton or send an email to [htaynton@juilliard.edu](mailto:htaynton@juilliard.edu).

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Upward Bound Program needs students for six weeks during the summer. A salary in addition to room and board is provided, and this experience may serve as an internship. For more information please call Anne Heinzerth at (814) 472-3023 or e-mail [ahinzerth@sfcpa.edu](mailto:ahinzerth@sfcpa.edu).

The Presbytery of Philadelphia is recruiting people for three positions as an AmeriCorp VISTA. All positions require good verbal and written communication skills. A modest living stipend for a twelve-month period is provided. If you have any questions please call Karen Schmidt at (215) 732-1842. You may also contact AmeriCorp VISTA for an application at [www.ameriacorp.org](http://www.ameriacorp.org) or call 1-800-942-2677.

Linesville Historical Society has internships available for summer. The application deadline is May 1, 2000. The proposed weekly schedule would be 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and the compensation would be \$100 per credit hour to a maximum of \$300. Direct questions to Pat Powers, Linesville Historical Society, P.O. Box, Linesville, PA 16424 or call (814) 683-4109.

Kaufmann's Credit Division in downtown Pittsburgh is hiring for part-time and full-time collections persons. Part-time starts at \$6.50 per hour, and full-time salaries are explained

at the interview. Any additional questions should be directed to Michelle Sabat at (412) 232-4164.

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Light Housekeeper/Nanny: Light housekeeping (folding laundry, washing dishes, picking up toys) and childcare (activities with the kids). To begin immediately a few hours a week and lead to 30-40 hrs/wk. for the summer. Four children, ages 1 to 9, and a baby on the way. Must also love animals. New Wilmington, PA. Salary negotiable - hours flexible. Please call Laurel at (724) 946-3633.

Upward Bound is looking for a tutor-counselor for 6 weeks in June and July. Salary \$2000. This is a residential position. For more information call Janet Waugaman at EXT. 6338.

The Physical Plant Department is seeking students for full-time summer employment in the Crafts, Custodial, and Grounds Units. Duties of these positions require individuals to be a minimum of 16 years of age. Starting salary will be minimum wage. Apply at the Physical Plant, South Market St. between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. Applications received prior to April 30th will be given first consideration.

Summer Babysitter Needed: Looking for a responsible, non-smoking individual who likes kids. The position would start June 12th and continue weekdays until school resumes. Time off can be flexible. The hours of work would be from about 7:45 a.m. until about

5:00 p.m. The children are ages 11, 8, and 3. We will provide a pool pass for the Wilmington Borough pool for the sitter and the children. Individual should have their own transportation. We live within two miles of the Westminster College campus. Salary is negotiable. If interested, please contact Kelly Hartner at 946-9072.

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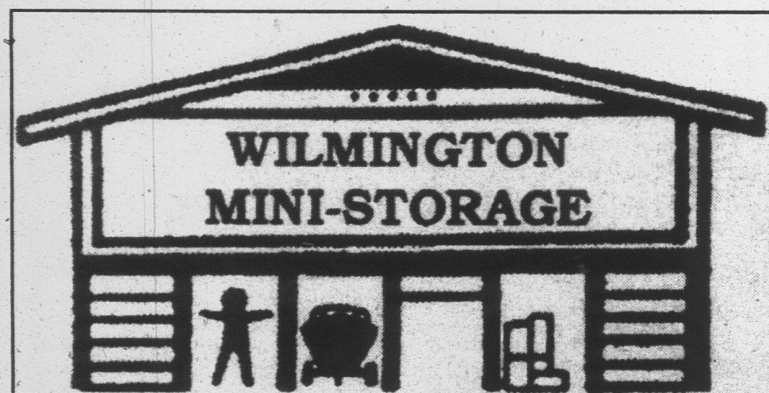
South Amenia Presbyterian Church in Wassauc, NY is looking to fill an intern position for the summer (June 19 to August 31). Housing will be provided, and a stipend of \$300 per week is offered. The intern is expected to have a car; a \$20 mileage allowance will be given. For more information contact Janet Waugaman at EXT 6338 or Elder Robert Meade or Rev. Martha Carlson at (914) 373-8855 or (914) 373-9895.

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# Calendar of Events

## FRIDAY 14

Early Registration for Fall Semester 2000 - TUB A/B  
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Last Day for Spring Semester Incompletes

PCMEA State Convention in Pittsburgh, PA (all day)

11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel

7:30 p.m. United States Air Force Band Quintet - Chapel

8:00 p.m. Vic Henley (comedian) - Down Under

TBA Alpha Phi Omega Formal

## SATURDAY 15

### Earth Day

10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. Relay for Life - Burry Stadium

Campus Visitation Day

PCMEA State Convention in Pittsburgh, PA (all day)

TBA Men's Tennis @ Gannon

TBA Track and Field at Baldwin-Wallace Invitational

1:00 p.m. Baseball vs. Wayne State (H)

1:00 p.m. Softball vs. Findlay (H)

4:00 p.m. Student Recital: Paul Zwiers - Chapel

7:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel

8:00 p.m. Celebrity Series: Evening of TRIPLE GOLD - Orr Auditorium

9:00 p.m. Phi Mu Eighties Dance - Down Under

## SUNDAY 16

### PALM SUNDAY

1:00 p.m. Baseball vs. Wayne State (H)

1:00 p.m. Softball vs. Hillsdale

1:00 p.m. Men's Tennis vs. Mercyhurst (H)

6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting @ Chapter House

7:00 p.m. Christy Lecture: Sister Theresa Dush - Chapel

9:00 p.m. "The Sopranos" - Down Under

10:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

## MONDAY 17

PA STATE GRANT DEADLINE MAY 1

Loft/Bunk Bed Construction Application Forms Available Starting Today in the Student Affairs Office

Habitat for Humanity Blitz Build in New Castle (April 17 through 20)

11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. - Chapel

5:30 p.m. Panhellenic Meeting - TUB A/B

5:30 p.m. Phi Kappa Tau Meeting - HSC 152

6:00 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Chapter Room

6:15 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112-113

6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - Tub A/B

6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116

6:30 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311-312

8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230

8:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice - Chapel

## TUESDAY 18

Habitat for Humanity Blitz Build in New Castle (April 17 through 20)

4:00 p.m. Residence Life Last Lecture Series: Dr. Walter Scheid, "Of Kennedy and King: The Last Obstacle and the Last Mountaintop" - TUB Lounge

6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting - TUB A/B

6:00 p.m. Career Center Grad School Program - HSC 152

7:00 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal - Chapel

7:00 p.m. Sigma Nu Pledge Meeting - CFH 116

## WEDNESDAY 19

Habitat for Humanity Blitz Build in New Castle (April 17 through 20)

Zeta Tau Alpha Easter Bags Delivered

7:30 - 10:30 a.m. Cultural Display Cluster: Artifacts of Native America

11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum: Doug Swartz, "Admissions and the Faculty" - TUB A/B

4:00 p.m. Softball @ Carlow

5:30 p.m. Galapagos Class Get Together - TUB A/B

7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116

8:00 Binge Drinking Task Force Meeting - TUB A/B

8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111

8:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Pi Membership Meeting - Old Main 317

9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - TBA

9:30 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B

## THURSDAY 20

### HOLY THURSDAY

### PASSOVER

Habitat for Humanity Blitz Build in New Castle ends today 6:00 p.m. Halls Close for Easter Break

10:00 p.m. TUB Closes

## FRIDAY 21

### GOOD FRIDAY

College Closed

Easter Break

1:00 p.m. Baseball @ Hillsdale

1:00 p.m. Softball vs. Bethany (H)

TBA Men's Tennis @ GLIAC Championships



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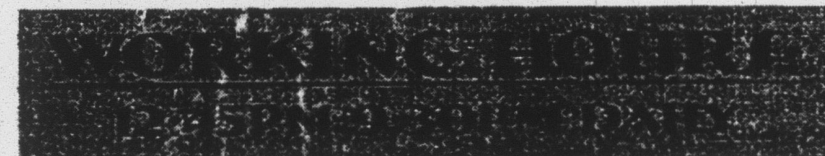
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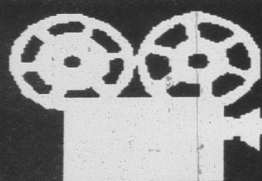
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## At the Down Under



**Vic Henley**

comedian

Friday, April 14 at 8:00 p.m.

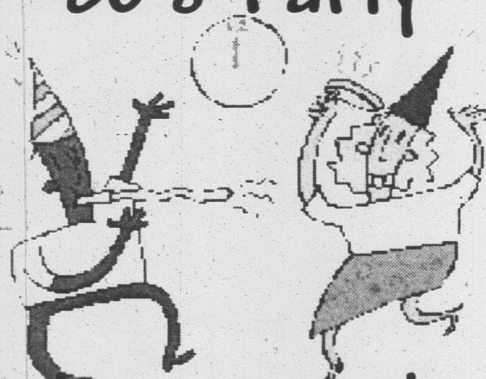
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Sunday, April 16 at 10:00 p.m.

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## Beeghly presents *Hobson's Choice*

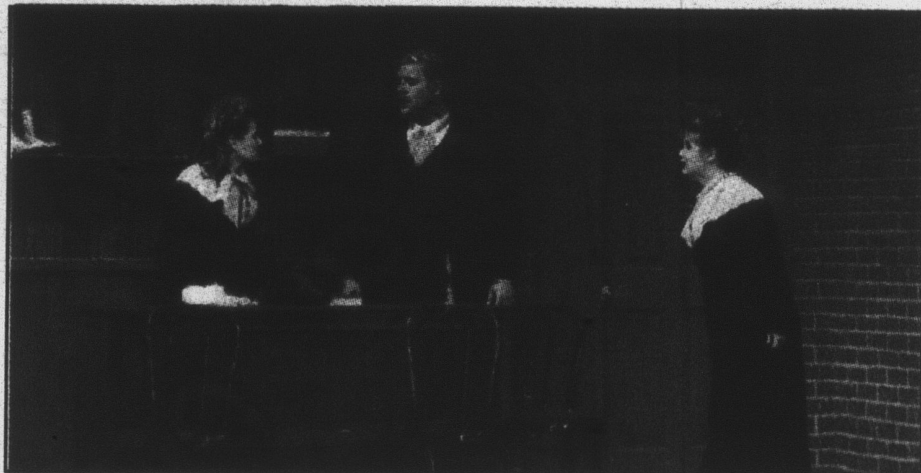


Photo by Courtney Behm

*Hobson's Choice* is predicted to be a "stellar ending to a marvelous year" by Brad Dell who plays the lead role of Henry Horatio Hobson.

Theatre Westminster will present its last production of the year, *Hobson's Choice*, at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday in Beeghly Theater.

"Hobson is the most challenging and exciting role that I have ever had the pleasure of playing," said Brad Dell, a sophomore theatre and English major who plays Henry Horatio Hobson, a widower and boot-shop proprietor. "I can't wait for this show to open, so Theatre Westminster can show its stuff once again. *Hobson's Choice* will be a stellar ending to a marvelous year for Theatre Westminster."

*Hobson's Choice* is a British comedy set in the 1880s that deals with feminism, family, love and other social and moral issues of the time.

Hobson is distressed because his three daughters have a "general increase of uppishness," even though Maggie, his eldest daughter,

is past the marrying age. The climax of the struggle comes when Maggie retaliates by marrying Hobson's boothand, Will, and turns him into her dad's business rival.

The play is directed by Eileen Hendrickson, who joined Westminster College this year. Hendrickson recently accepted a contract extension to stay for possibly three more years. She has directed over 35 productions for the stage in high school, college and university theaters, including Wilmington Area High School, University of Wisconsin, Slippery Rock University, and Westminster College. She earned her undergraduate degree from Carthage College, and her master's from Northwestern University.

The designer and technical director is Leslie Thomas, who joined Westminster in 1997. He earned his undergraduate degree

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## Regelski selected for workshop in Japan

By Adriann Popovich  
STAFF WRITER

Fifth year senior, Rich Regelski will be in Japan this summer taking part in the International Workshop of Ceramic Art in Tokoname. Regelski, who is a psychology and art double major, is one of only eighteen applicants who were accepted into the program.

The program was established in 1985 and takes place in Tokoname, a city with a rich history of pottery and ceramics production dating back 900 years. Participants will learn about the city's heritage, exchange their ideas and learn different skills.

Regelski will be in Japan from July 22 - Aug. 27. During this time he will be staying with a host family, and he will experience Japanese culture and daily family life.

He entered the program after his art professor Kathy Koop suggested that it would be a great learning experience.

"I went myself in 1992, and the program is fantastic. It is one of the few ways a person can go to Japan as part of a small group and learn about the culture," Koop said.

In order to be accepted into the program, Regelski had to send in an application along with photographs of 10-15 pieces of his work. This was not a problem considering he served an apprenticeship in Aspen, Colorado last summer under world known ceramic artist, Paul Soldner.

"It was a great experience. Paul is Kathy [Koop]'s mentor, and Kathy is my mentor, so I learned a great deal," Regelski said.

While in Japan, Regelski will learn different techniques from other artists and will be able to share his own skills. "I'm excited because it will help my development in becoming an artist."

The program is open to artists of all skill levels, however it is very selective and the participants are usually professionals.

"Rich is very fortunate to experience this early in his career. It has a huge impact on not just your art, but your life," Koop said.

Regelski himself is excited and intrigued about his journey to Japan. "I don't know what to expect. It's kind of scary because I've never been there before and I don't know a lot about the culture. I'm excited to go and bring back what I have learned, so I can share it with other artists."



Photo by Heidi Krieger

Rich Regelski will travel to Japan to partake in the International Workshop of Ceramic Art.

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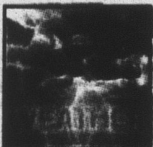
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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Professor inspires student expression through artist expression

By Heather Salada  
STAFF WRITER

Kathy Koop, professor of art, has been a positive influence on the art program and her students for twenty-seven years.

Koop got her degree in art from Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. She has had experience teaching art to elementary students as well as college students. She previously taught at Penn-State Shanango and the Art Institute of Pittsburgh.

Koop teaches many different classes such as ceramics, two and three dimensional studio design, drawing and art history classes. She often invites guest speakers to her classes for enrichment purposes. Koop has also taken classes to museums in Pittsburgh and various workshops in Pennsylvania and Ohio.

Rich Regelski, a fifth-year senior psychology and art double major, views Koop as his personal mentor. "She has helped me learn who I am through art," Regelski said.

Koop helped Regelski get a professional internship studying ceramics in Japan for one month this summer. Regelski was chosen by application along with fourteen other people.

They will study with ceramists from all over the world.

Regelski hopes to bring back Japanese influence in his art. His goal is to one day open a community art center to help children express themselves through the therapeutic and inexpensive methods of art.

Other students agree that Koop and the art program have had a positive effect on their college careers. Sophomore art major Sarah Lohr loves the variety of classes as well as the ease of scheduling any class available. Lohr thinks Koop is a "fun teacher! She's so knowledgeable and creative with her students."

Freshman biology major Rebecca Lane is currently taking three-dimensional studio art. Her roommate coerced her into taking the class. Now she loves it. "Kathy is such a wonderful teacher. All of our ideas are good ones. I'm even thinking of picking up an art minor," Lane said.

Koop's enthusiasm for art touches all of her students, whether they are art majors or just taking an art class for fun.

"The best part of teaching at Westminster is the students. Without them, I couldn't practice what I love," Koop said.



Photo by Courtney Behm

Professor of Art, Kathy Koop has taught a variety of art courses throughout her 27 years of instruction.

## Relay for Life raises over \$27,000 for American Cancer Society

By Aaron Wik  
STAFF WRITER

The Third Annual American Cancer Society Relay for Life, organized by the Westminster College Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity, raised over \$27,000 for the fight against cancer.

The Relay was held April 15 at Burry Stadium, and included 69 teams, almost 20 more than last year, that raised money and kept at least one member of the team on the track for the entire 12-hour event.

President R. Thomas Williamson, Dr.

Linda Dudjak from UPMC, Stuart Spisak, a 1982 Westminster graduate and current grand senior president of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity, Bruce Bauman from the American Cancer Society and Dan DiDesiderio, a sophomore music education major Alpha Sigma Phi philanthropy chair, spoke at the 10 a.m. opening ceremonies.

The event first began three years ago in remembrance of Dr. Peter Mackey. For the past two years, Dr. Mackey's wife spoke during the opening ceremonies, but she was unable to attend this year. In her place, Mike Zebrine, a senior education major who orga-

nized the event the previous two years spoke about Dr. Mackey.

"The cancer survivor walk and lighting of the luminaries was an emotional time, especially with the sounds of Ryan Crable playing the bagpipe," DiDesiderio said. "Everyone enjoyed the tour of the UPMC medical Helicopter and the Zambelli fireworks finale."

"The day was a hit," DiDesiderio added. "We are grateful for the generosity of the Westminster people and the surrounding community."

In addition to the fireworks, the day's activities included an inflatable climbing wall and sumo wrestling suits near lake Brittain.

"We couldn't have asked for a better day," said Ken Weaver, a junior and president of Alpha Sigma Phi. "There were so many people on campus with Relay, the soccer tournament, Earth Day and campus visitation day. All we can hope to do is make it better next year."

This year's lead sponsors included Giant Eagle, UPMC, and Zambelli Internationale. Other corporate sponsors included Day Star Marketing, Domino's Pizza, The Tavern, Sodexo-Marriott, McDonalds, Apple Castle, Wilson's Lumber and Nucom Electronics.

## Westminster's Gattaca plans on continuing in Pittsburgh

By P. J. Pearson  
STAFF WRITER

The band of the year at Westminster was Gattaca, which consists of Derrick Bash with vocals and guitars, Ashley Webb on drums and Mike Morris playing bass.

Bash describes their band as, "a band with basic pop elements, while at the same time being extremely grandiose in vision, lyrics, and musical concepts."

The band started last summer around June. Webb said, "The first song Derrick and I played together was 'Ziggy Stardust' by David Bowie, and it was just like yeah, this is good." Then Bash and Webb needed to find a bassist. They came across Mike Morris, who "came over one day with the intent of me showing him one of my songs, and I ended up showing him like eight. He memorized them and had the bass parts for them in about an hour," Bash said. The band was complete.

"I basically turned my basement into a makeshift four track studio and recorded six songs," Bash said. "These six, along with six

others that I wrote at the end of the summer, and after returning to school, formed the basis of the songs we've been playing out."

Some of their songs include "On a Sunday," "In my summer," "A Hymn for July," and a couple of cover songs like the Cars, "You're All I've Got Tonight," and David Bowie's "Ziggy Stardust." Recently, they opened for the Clarks here at Westminster for the Mardi Gras celebration.

What's in store next for the band?

"I'm moving to Pittsburgh this summer with Ashley, so we'll be continuing together. I'm sure we'll play with Mike again at some point," Bash said.

Their plans are to build a recording studio in their Pittsburgh home and start compiling songs.

"I'd like to have about twenty songs recorded by next fall," Bash added. "I'm extremely interested in developing this band as a live act, developing our attack, and pushing the possibilities of heaviness and beauty in a live situation to the extreme."

## Stress Management Day gives students a chance to unwind

By Torie Krivak  
STAFF WRITER

As finals and those last minute assignments get closer, many people may be getting stressed out. Do not fear. Stress Management Day is fast approaching.

On May 3, Reading Day, the Health Center will again be hosting Stress Management Day. It will be held from noon to 4 p.m. in the Health Center. There will be many activities to participate in to lower your stress.

There will be a massage therapist, Beverly Amadio, who was here in December for the last reading day. She will be giving massages from 12 noon to 4 p.m., but this time everyone

must have an appointment. You may call or stop at the Health Center anytime between now and May 3 to make an appointment.

Babs Quincy, from the Health Center, will also be doing guided imagery for relaxation on this day. This is something like a relaxation tape. This will also be by appointment.

In the counselor's waiting room, there will be refreshments and a couple other activities, so if you do not get an appointment for a massage or guided imagery, you may still participate.

With all of the hard work put in by the Health Center, this will surely be a success. Judith Duda, from the Health Center, said, "It has been a great success in the past and we hope that students will take advantage of these activities as they have in the past."

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from Southeastern Oklahoma State University, and his master's from the University of Oklahoma.

To reserve a seat for this production, call

the Beeghly Box Office at EXT. 7241 April 24-28 between the hours of noon and 2 p.m. Tickets will be held until 15 minutes before curtain time.



# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Students demand healthier cafeteria food but resort to fast food

By Bill Schackner  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

It's dinner time, and sizzling vegetables are dancing in a row of woks at a Carnegie Mellon University cafeteria as students line up to make their own stir-fry.

Relax, parents, your away-at-school children are about to do you proud nutritionally. Or are they?

Across campus, Kyle Schriver, a strapping sophomore who lifts weights and plays basketball, is talking about the time-honored collegiate practice of eating as an extreme sport. His war stories include the charity fund-raiser at which he devoured 70 chicken wings, including some that weren't fully cooked because the restaurant sponsoring the event couldn't keep pace.

"I've been known to go to McDonald's and get eight of the cheap hamburgers and eat them," Schriver said. "People look at me like I've got three heads, but I'm hungry."

On college campuses, competing urges are battling it out. Students increasingly demand healthy food, and schools have responded with elaborate salad bars, self-serve wok stations and delicacies prepared by chefs in plain view of students.

But the snarf-it-all-down collegiate credo lives on. It's as obvious as the pizza boxes that pile up in residence halls and the middle-of-the-night trips to the hamburger drive-thru.

In many respects, it's no different from the game played by most American adults who diet, then binge, then diet again. Except the bingeing is more extreme on campus, thanks to youthful metabolisms that enable many stu-

dents to wear their overindulgence like a badge of honor.

"Students say they want healthy food, but if they've got a healthy dish or a burger and fries in front of them, they'll almost always go for the burger and fries," said Amanda Chater, an editor with FoodService Director magazine in New York City. "I'm guilty of it as much as anyone. People want selection."

For colleges that have turned food into a recruiting tool, trying to sort it all out has become an agonizing enterprise. Hoping to entice students, some campuses promote their dining halls with prose worthy of a four-star restaurant.

"Upon entering, the customer is greeted by the artistry of whole fruit, luscious desserts and a harvest of fresh breads displayed on tables of warm golden oak," Cornell

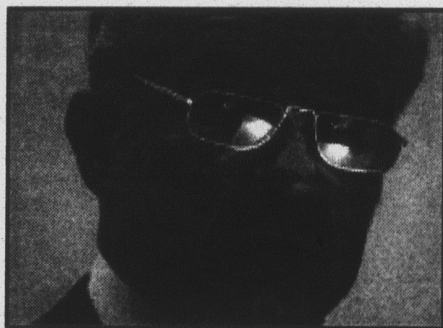
University boasts of its dining hall renovations on an industry Web site. "The feeling is one of warmth, complemented by both natural and artificial lighting."

Or how about a spectacular setting where walls are accented with diamonds, an airy rotunda displays a bronze statue of Diana, Roman goddess of the hunt, and a bistro beckons with classical, jazz, blues and new age music? Sounds like a California resort.

Actually, it's Salisbury State University on Maryland's Eastern Shore.

Such highfalutin come-ons play to students' growing expectations about college life. A school is apt to be judged not merely by its faculty, but by how many treadmills the fitness center has and the extent of its vegan menu.

### Cal U's president could be voted out of office



AP File Photo

California University of Pennsylvania's Angelo Armenti Jr. faces being voted out of his position as president.

Angelo Armenti Jr. hopes his campus legacy won't be defined by angry academics at a ballot box.

He faces the prospect this week of becoming the first university president in Pennsylvania's public system to twice lose votes of confidence from his faculty.

More than 300 professors at California University of Pennsylvania are eligible to vote today and tomorrow on whether they believe

Armenti is fit to lead the school of 5,300 students.

The balloting comes almost two years to the day after the faculty voted no confidence in Armenti in a 132-118 decision.

He remained president after university trustees rated his overall performance as good.

California, a riverside borough 40 miles south of Pittsburgh, seems sleepy enough, with its one stoplight, tree-shaded streets and Dairy Queen along the main drag. But the university, a bootstrap place for Mon Valley residents since 1852, is roiling again.

Armenti, 60, said he was blind-sided by this second faculty uprising, aimed at driving him from office. He said he will never resign and that he intends to remain as president for another five to seven years.

"It saddens me, actually, that the process is being carried out this way," Armenti said of the no-confidence campaign. "None of the accused has been told what they were accused of. This is like sending a case to the jury for a decision after hearing only one side."

This vote was endorsed by the faculty senate, which is the elected body representing professors in all departments. The campaign

is directed both at Armenti and his provost, Curtis Smith, who specializes in academics.

Armenti's critics say the blowup had been building because of raw wounds left by the president's meanness and poor decisions.

The unrest began in 1996 when Armenti fired three professors and demoted a dean on sexual harassment or gender bias charges. Some faculty members said he was on a witch hunt, and arbitrators gave credence to that allegation when they overturned Armenti in all four cases.

"The unconscionable series of decisions in firing faculty members kind of put us on separate sides," said Bob Dickie, a professor of special education.

Since then, he said, communication has fallen apart. "This administration has totally ignored us, isolated us."

An even louder faculty complaint is that academic programs have eroded and students are suffering because of it.

"I see the morale of my department pretty low, with class sections being cut and faculty who should have been hired being lost to other institutions," said Bill Bosel, an associate professor of business.

### Alumni encourage entrepreneurs by donating to students

By Tom Gibb  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

If you're running a college fund drive, it's nice to have a pool of well-heeled alumni to canvass for money.

And what better way to get well-heeled alumni than to breed your own.

Juniata College in Huntingdon County plans to give students a running start at becoming entrepreneurs over the next few years by establishing a \$1 million venture capital fund that will help them finance their own businesses, such as Web page design firms that can be run out of their dormitory rooms.

It's all part of a \$70 million fund drive that the 1,270-student liberal arts school publicly launched this month.

Juniata already has received \$45 million of the \$70 million from its largest donors. Planners at the 124-year-old college hope to raise most of the remaining \$25 million from Juniata's 13,000 alumni, college spokesman David Gildea said.

The college plans to allocate \$12.2 million for its Campaign for Entrepreneurial Leadership, which will, among other things, provide the money to capitalize the fledgling student businesses.

The largest share of the money, \$30.8 million, is earmarked for science programs and construction of the largest building on campus—the three-story, 75,000-square-foot William J. von Leibig Center for Science.

The building is named for 1946 graduate William J. von Leibig, whose charitable foundation donated \$18 million to the college last year. That contribution broke the record set by von Leibig himself, who gave Juniata \$3 million in 1994, four years before he died.

### Regional Briefs

#### One quadruplet born at home

The first of four quadruplets born prematurely will have something that makes her different from her sisters. She was born at home. And her grandmother delivered her with help from a 911 dispatcher who coached her through the complicated birth. The babies' mother, Patty Gall, had been bedridden at the house in Jefferson Township, Butler County, during her pregnancy. Gall's mother, Mary Carbin, delivered the first baby Monday night and found that the baby was still inside the placenta. "The baby was born in its placenta, and the 911 operator told mom to break the sac," said Gall's sister, Mary Lou Cypher. Carbin broke open the placenta, then performed mouth-to-mouth breathing on the baby until Chuck Lewis, a paramedic who lives nearby, arrived and gave the baby oxygen from his ambulance. Mother and baby

were flown to Allegheny General Hospital, where the other three babies were delivered by Caesarean section. Gall was only six months pregnant. The Galls had one child, Karly, before the quadruplets came along. The first delivered, Mary Elizabeth, weighed 1 pound 10 ounces. The others also weighed less than 2 pounds. They were in serious condition, which doctors said was typical for premature births.

#### Trash a computer, win a trip

Helen Volkman (center), a secretary for Chubb and Son, throws a computer to the ground at noon Tuesday from 30 feet above PPG Place, Downtown, as part of a promotional event for National Secretaries Day. Gary Dickson (left), morning show host for 3WS radio, and crane operator Don Miller (right) watch the proceedings. The winner received a trip to Aruba. (Christopher Horner/Tribune-Review photo)

#### Police release identity of collision victim

Police released the identity Tuesday of a Washington County man who died in a collision between a pickup truck and a motorcycle. Matthew Paul Kleiner, 36, of Cornelia Street, Washington, died from blunt force trauma Monday at the scene of the accident in South Strabane Township. Police said the motorcycle was headed west on Route 40 and hit the truck at the northbound exit ramp of Interstate 79 shortly before 1:30 p.m.

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## NATIONAL

## Reno has "no regrets whatsoever" about seizing Elian at gunpoint

WASHINGTON (AP) - At the request of Juan Miguel Gonzalez, four playmates of his son, Elian, will be allowed to come from Cuba to visit him here for about two weeks, the State Department said Tuesday.

Spokesman James P. Rubin said visa requests from the four will be dealt with on an expedited basis once they are received. One adult will be permitted to accompany each child.

Elian, his father, stepmother and half brother were moved today from nearby Andrews Air Force Base to an undisclosed location, the Marshals Service announced. There has been speculation the family would be taken to the secluded Wye Center on Maryland's Eastern Shore to await court action over whether Elian should be allowed to return to Cuba.

The Marshals Service remained with the family for protection, said Marshals spokesman Drew Wade.

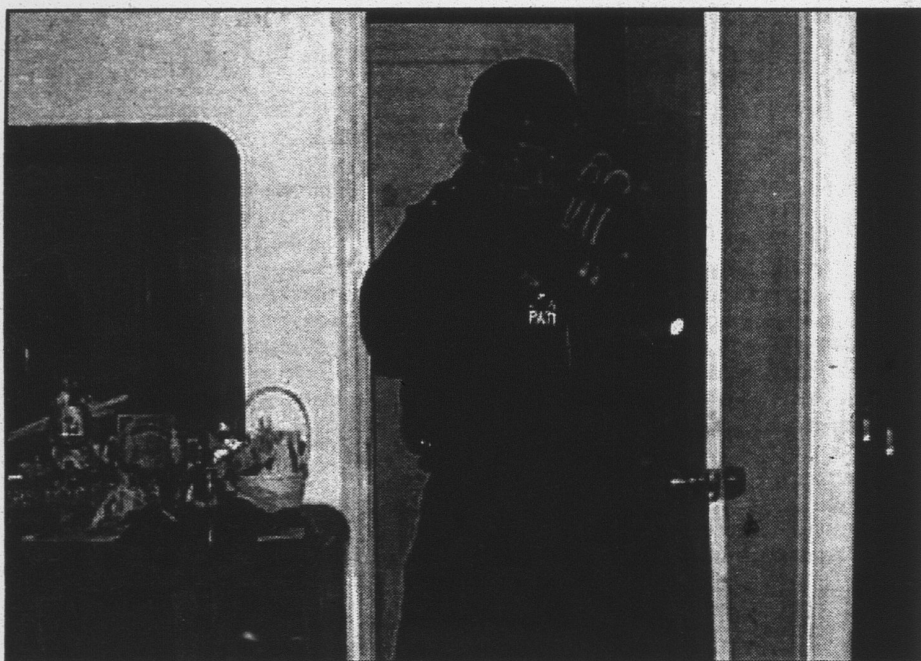
Meanwhile, Attorney General Janet Reno, who has voiced "no regrets whatsoever" for the raid that returned Elian to his father, defended her tactics in a 1.50-hour closed-door session with lawmakers. She declined to speak to reporters as she left the Capitol.

Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., the first senator to leave the meeting and a defender of the administration's handling of Saturday's seizure of the 6-year-old boy, said Reno "was objective."

"The law was followed," Leahy told reporters. However, he said the atmosphere was "still very partisan."

Sen. Connie Mack, R-Fla., a critic of the military-style raid, said after the session his mind had not been changed by Reno's pre-

bled, horrified as a matter of fact, that our government would use armed force in a family home to remove a 6-year-old child."



AP File Photo

A federal agent enters the bedroom in search of Elian Gonzalez.

sensation.

"I am going to recommend...that the Senate engage in a hearing with respect to the use of force," Mack said. "I am deeply trou-

Reno on Monday defended her actions anew in several television interviews.

"It was time he was returned to his daddy," Reno said of the 6-year-old shipwreck sur-

vivor. Interviewed on PBS's "News Hour with Jim Lehrer," Reno said she struggled with different options before giving the go-ahead for the seizure - including "going up there myself" to claim the boy.

But she said it was clear that the crowds outside the house "were going to intervene in any attempt to extract Elian from the house."

In the end, she said, she believed she had no realistic choice but to proceed with the armed seizure. "What you saw was a law enforcement operation that went the right way," she said.

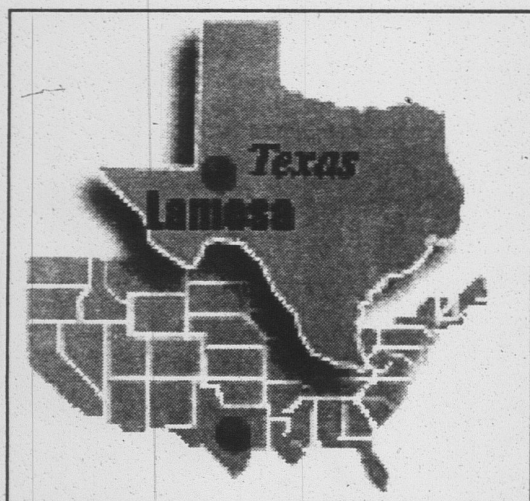
If necessary, Reno said, she would enforce the federal order that the boy not be removed from the United States until a federal court rules on the issue of whether he can be granted political asylum over the objections of his father.

Elian was removed Saturday from his great-uncle's home in Miami, where he has been staying since his rescue from the Atlantic last November.

The boy's second cousin and two great-uncles have been rebuffed in efforts to meet with Elian and his father at the Air Force Base.

Meanwhile, the House Judiciary Committee chairman, Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., announced his panel's staff would begin "a preliminary inquiry" into the tactics used to seize the boy. "The inquiry will focus on whether the use of such force was necessary or appropriate under all of the circumstances," Hyde said.

## Minority inmates riot in Texas



AMESA, Texas (AP) - A West Texas prison is under lockdown Wednesday in the aftermath of a riot by some 300 black and Hispanic inmates wielding garden tools. One inmate was killed and 31 others were injured.

The disturbance at the minimum- to medium-security Smith Unit began around 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and was under control by midnight, said John Barton, spokesman for Warden Lupe Lozano.

State prison officials said it took about 300 guards to quell the riot, which centered in the prison's recreation yard. A kitchen was gutted by fire, Fitzgerald said.

"You're looking at one-on-one instead of 10-on-one in this kind of situation," Barton said, in reference to the number of guards needed to regain control.

Fighting began after an incident in a chow hall between two inmates, said Larry Fitzgerald, a spokesman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in Huntsville.

An Hispanic inmate confronted a black inmate who was fondling himself in front of a female officer, Fitzgerald said.

Word of the confrontation then spread throughout the unit.

"We're still trying to put all this together," said Fitzgerald.

Guards used a pepper spray-like substance to subdue the inmates. One guard suffered minor injuries from a gas grenade that went off in his hand.

The prison, about 60 miles south of Lubbock, was put under lockdown and an investigation was under way, Fitzgerald said.

The riot came as the Texas Department of Criminal Justice was auditing staffing patterns at the prison, following guards' complaints about understaffing. The prison was designed to hold 1,276 but currently houses 1,322 prisoners, Barton said.

It was the latest case of unrest at Texas prisons, the nation's second largest prison system.

In December, a guard at Beeville became the first Texas corrections officer killed in 17 years. In January, a guard at the Byrd Unit in Huntsville was stabbed in the belly with a pencil. In February, two death row inmates armed with pieces of metal took a female officer hostage and held her for 13 hours before surrendering.

## Doc McTaggart's Yard Sale

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4:00 p.m.



## INTERNATIONAL BRIEFS

### Serb crackdown on the Kosovo

Liberation Army were transferred to Serbia proper before NATO's 78-day bombing campaign forced Yugoslav troops and police to withdraw and hand the province over to U.N. administrators and international peacekeepers. Many others are believed to be held secretly by the Serbs.

### Italy has a new, reshaped government

ROME - Premier Giuliano Amato was sworn into office Wednesday along with a reshaped center-left coalition already looking frayed after one of Amato's choices refused to take up his ministry post. Almost immediately after being named, Edo Ronchi, from the Greens, refused to serve as minister for European Union relations after he and his party didn't get to keep the environment ministry. The new government, replacing the 18-month-long Massimo D'Alema reign that collapsed last week, is expected to go to the required confidence vote in both chambers of Parliament by the end of the week. A vote of more than 50% is required to win.

### U.N. to patrol Israel-Lebanon border

BEIRUT, Lebanon - Lebanon on Wednesday welcomed Israel's planned withdrawal in July and said that the power vacuum created by the pullout will be filled by U.N. peacekeepers. Beirut has previously expressed fears that an Israeli withdrawal could lead to violence involving Lebanon and Syria, the main power broker in the country. It also had refused to say whether it will allow U.N. forces or its own army to fan out along the border region as it is evacuated by Israel. But Prime Minister Salim Hoss says the withdrawal, which will end two decades of occupation, is "a radical turning point for Lebanon."

### McCain tours his former prison in Vietnam

HANOI, Vietnam - Sen. John McCain on Wednesday led his wife and son on a tour of the prison where he was a POW for five years, as he continued his plea for reconciliation on the approach of the 25th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War. The McCain family toured the site nicknamed the "Hanoi Hilton," the notorious prison where 300 downed American pilots were held. McCain had a reputation as feisty prisoner, spending long periods in solitary confinement after shouting pro-

fanities at guards. The Vietnamese will celebrate the anniversary of the war's end this Sunday.

### Russia expands "nuclear umbrella"

MOSCOW - A top military official said Russia's new military doctrine, which expands the conditions under which nuclear weapons could be used, also applies to protecting allies, the Interfax news agency reported Tuesday. The doctrine had raised concerns among some observers because it says Russia could use nuclear weapons if other means to repel an aggressor fail. Previous policy said nuclear weapons could be used only if Russia's sovereignty was threatened. Col. Gen. Valery Manilov, first deputy chief of the Russian general staff, told a news conference that the policy also covers aggression against allies. Russian officials have previously said that the so-called "nuclear umbrella" applies to Belarus, which has signed a treaty with Russia.

### Brazil Catholic church to make apology

PORTO SEGURO, Brazil - Five hundred years after the first Mass was celebrated in Brazil, the Roman Catholic Church will formally apologize for the "sins and errors" committed by its clergy against Indians and blacks. The apology will be read Thursday at a special mass near the spot where Friar Henrique de Coimbra celebrated the first Mass on April 26, 1500, four days after the Portuguese expedition made landfall. Church officials expect some 50,000 people, including more than 300 bishops, to attend the open-air mass in Coroa Vermelha, just outside this seaside resort 500 miles northeast of Rio de Janeiro. "The mass will be a moment of penitence," said the secretary general of the National Brazilian Bishops' Conference.

### Milosevic ally killed

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia - Assaults shot and killed an ally of President Slobodan Milosevic as he walked his dog near his home Tuesday night, the latest in a series of attacks against prominent figures in the capital. Police showed reporters the body of state airline director Zika Petrovic, who lay face down in a pool of blood. The 62-year-old Petrovic, director of the Yugoslav Airlines (JAT), was a member of the neo-communist party of Milosevic's wife Mira Markovic, which is allied with Milosevic's ruling Socialists. He was not well known for his role in the party, but was known as a family friend of the Milosevics. Petrovic's death is the latest in a series of similar attacks in Belgrade that go back almost a decade.

### Lockerbie trial may be postponed

THE HAGUE, Netherlands - The Lockerbie court at Camp Zeist is expected to decide whether to grant a request by prosecutors to postpone the trial of two Libyans accused of bombing Pan Am Flight 103 in 1988, the Scottish Crown Office said Tuesday. The request follows the introduction of 119 new witnesses by the defense and reported troubles in the prosecution's case following the resignation in January of the chief prosecutor. Proceedings are scheduled to begin May 3 following two delays since Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi surrendered Abdel Basset Ali al-Megrahi and Lamun Khalifa Fhimah last year to stand trial.

### India won't resume Pakistan peace talks

NEW DELHI, India - India wants its citi-

zens to have closer contacts with Pakistanis but will not resume official peace talks with Islamabad, Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee said Tuesday. "We want friendly relations with Pakistan but it cannot be a one-way traffic," Vajpayee was quoted as saying by Press Trust of India. Peace talks between India and Pakistan are stalled because of sharp differences on their rival claims to Kashmir, the mountainous region with a majority Muslim population. India controls two-thirds of Kashmir and Pakistan the rest.

### Air traffic controllers suspended

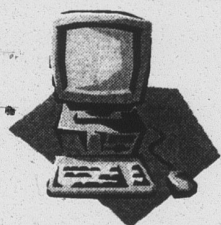
MANILA, Philippines - The three air traffic controllers who were on duty when an Air Philippines plane crashed last week, killing all 131 people aboard, have been suspended. They were taken off active duty amid calls by some relatives of crash victims for an independent investigation. The Boeing 737-200 jet plowed into a coconut grove on a hill on Samal island near Davao airport last Wednesday, making it the country's worst-ever air disaster. Air transport officials said the plane flew much lower than required for still unknown reasons, causing it to hit the hill. The black boxes are being analyzed by the U.S. National Transportation Safety Board.

### More opposition leaders killed in Zimbabwe

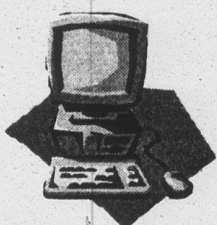
HARARE, Zimbabwe - Two more supporters of Zimbabwe's main opposition party have been killed in the political violence convulsing the country, an opposition official said Tuesday. Attackers hit David Nhaurwa on the head with an ax Monday after he was asked to show his ruling party membership card, while opposition leader Robert Mubuzi died from gunshot wounds he suffered Friday. A total of six opposition supporters have now been killed in the past two weeks in violence that began with the illegal occupation of more than 1,000 white-owned farms by armed black squatters.

### Sumo leaders deny bout-fixing

TOKYO - Japan's sumo wrestling establishment tried to burnish its scandal-tainted image Tuesday by denying a former wrestler's allegations that the ancient sport was rife with fixed bouts. Officials said they questioned 18 athletes accused of fixing bouts but found no evidence of wrongdoing in the sport that goes back some 2,000 years. Retired wrestler Keisuke Itai set off a media frenzy in Japan earlier this year when he announced that many sumo bouts are fixed and acknowledged he intentionally lost many of his bouts. The scandal comes as no surprise to most sumo fans, who have seen similar controversies overshadow the sport that has for long been as much an art form as well as a symbol of Japan's identity.



## BYTES & PCs



Time and cost have been the biggest stumbling blocks to getting students connected to TitanNet in the past. Now there are new options to address these concerns.

You have two choices for reconnecting to TitanNet for the fall term 2000:

1. You may buy a self-connect kit from the Bookstore and do the work yourself; OR
2. You may place an order with IKON Technology Services to connect your PC.

To make your choice, go to <http://www.westminster.edu/computing/connect.htm>. If you fill out the pre-order form for IKON, your name will be placed on their list of work orders. You must make your payment to IKON by July 1, 2000, or your order will be suspended until they receive payment. IKON's reconnect fee for Fall 2000 is \$75.00. IKON can begin to work on installations as early as August 1 for students arriving on campus before the fall term begins. As soon as students are in their assigned rooms for the fall term and have their computers configured for TitanNet, the HelpDesk will enable their ports if all the paperwork is completed.

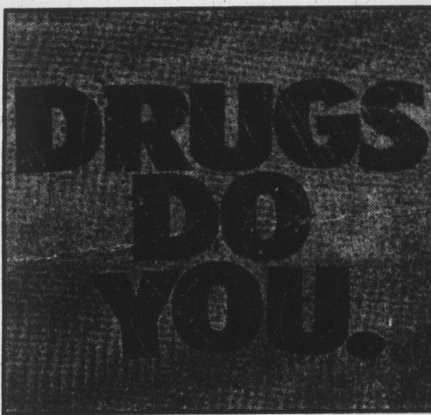
If you choose the Self-Connect option, you must buy a self-connect kit from the Bookstore. The kits will be available by August 1. The cost will be approximately \$20. The kit will include an upgrade license to Norton Anti-Virus Corporate Edition. This is a college-owned license that will automatically update your virus signatures as you login to the network, giving you full protection from current damaging viruses. You must have some virus protection on your PC as a prerequisite for this upgrade.

If you buy the Self-Connect Kit but have difficulty completing the configuration of your computer for reconnecting to the network, you have several options. First, you may ask a friend to help you. Information Systems will provide a list of students who have volunteered to take a short training course so they can help students. Westminster is not paying any of these students for this work, and they may charge individuals a fee if they wish. Or you may decide to contract with IKON to configure your PC for reconnection. In this case, your order will be placed on IKON's list, but you will have to wait for them to finish the work orders for students ahead of you on their list.

You must turn in your completed installation sheet to the HelpDesk so the port in your room can be enabled for you to connect to the network.

Be aware that if you have had America On-Line installed on your PC to connect to the internet from your home, you must reinstall the Windows operating system from scratch before attempting to connect to TitanNet. "AOL Instant Messenger" is not the same as "America On-Line" and will not cause problems with TitanNet.

Please note that Westminster supports the Windows 98 operating system. Students who bring new computers with the Windows 2000 operating system will not have the benefit of support from the Help Desk or other Westminster College resources. Also, the college is upgrading to MS Office 2000 over the summer. This version of office applications is "backward-compatible" with Office 97 (except for Access), so in most cases there should be no problem with students continuing to use Office 97 on their own machines if they so choose. If you have questions about reconnecting your computer for next term, call the HelpDesk at EXT. 6900.





# SPORTS

## Breaking ground for Edwards Wing of the Field House

Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

The college will hold a groundbreaking ceremony for the James F. Edwards Wing of Memorial Field House today at 4:30 p.m. at the Field House. Speakers at the ceremony will include President R. Thomas Williamson and Director of Athletics Jim Dafler.

The new Edwards Wing will be built onto the east side of the Field House, towards Harold Burry Stadium. It will feature five new locker rooms, a large visiting team area that can be subdivided, two staff locker rooms, a storage/visiting training room area, a restroom, a lobby and an expansion of the current varsity locker room. In addition, an existing storage/visiting team training room area will be converted into office space for coaching assistants and part-time staff. The existing varsity locker room will also be renovated, while the existing training room will be renovated and expanded.

"The addition of the Edwards Wing and the accompanying renovation and expansion of other key areas of Memorial Field House will greatly assist us in meeting many current and future needs of our athletic program," said Dafler. "We are very grateful to Mr. Edwards for his generous gift, which will make these long-anticipated and much-needed facility improvements a reality."

The new wing was made possible by a \$500,000 gift to Westminster from Edwards, a native of Crafton, Pa., who graduated from Westminster College in 1942 with a degree in business administration. It will feature a varsity locker room made possible through a generous gift from Westminster Trustee Ann Haldeman, a 1948 graduate.

While at Westminster, Edwards was a four-year letter winner in cross-country and track and field. A founding member of the cross country team, Edwards routinely set course records while leading the Titans to undefeated seasons and district championships in 1940 and 1941. As a senior, Edwards won six of the seven cross-country races he competed in, including the Tri-State meet. A versatile athlete, Edwards also excelled in track and field as a sprinter, mid-distance runner, and relay team member.

The addition of the Edwards Wing continues a flurry of activity regarding the construction and renovation of athletic facilities. The Hoyt Foundation in New Castle has given gifts to the school resulting in the construction of a new physical fitness center in 1995 as well as the Thomas V. Mansell Education Wing at Memorial Field House last year. Hoyt also has pledged funds for the construction of a new track at Burry Stadium, which is expected to be completed prior to the 2001-02 academic year. Also, gifts from Board of Trustee members Scott Beck and Jim Dewar '59 allowed the College to construct a new multi-level press box and renovate the seating areas at Burry Stadium in 1997. A track resurfacing is also scheduled to begin soon, which will allow the Field House and athletic facilities at the school to be superior to surrounding colleges.

## Lady Titans' winning streak ties school record

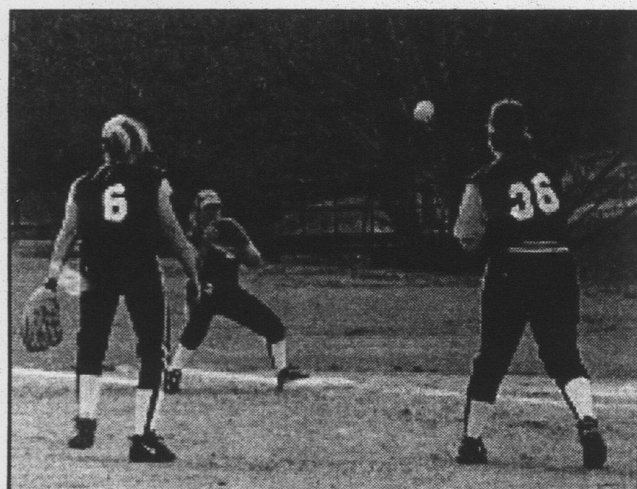


Photo by Amy Nansen  
Pitcher Bethany Pinkerton watches as first baseman Courtney Behm throws to Renee Tappe to get the out.

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Lady Titan softball team ran its winning streak to a school record-tying 13 games this week in Latrobe, as the Lady Titans swept

St. Vincent College 9-1 and 3-1 in eight innings in a non-conference doubleheader. The team is now 28-10 on the season, having equaled the school record of 13 straight wins originally set by the 1985 Lady Titan softball team from March 26-April 22, 1985.

The opener saw the Lady Titans take control early, scoring all nine runs in the first two frames. Freshman pitcher Darcy Sutton improved to a team-best 10-1 with the pitching win, giving up one run on four hits while striking out one batter. Leading the Lady Titans at the plate was junior catcher Jamie Reddinger, who was 2-for-3 with three RBIs. Freshman outfielder Jennifer Petures also went 2-for-3 in the win, while junior DH Melissa Bajus and junior first baseman Courtney Behm each drove in two runs. The game was called after five innings due to the "eight run" rule.

## Free wings at VolleyRock '00

By Summerlea Hobbs  
STAFF WRITER

Students will apply their sunscreen, put on their shorts and take to the courts for VolleyRock 2000. The tournament is a spring tradition that features volleyball, music, prizes and great food.

Teams consisting of six people (at least two of which are women) will be participating in the event. The participation fee is \$3, and includes a VolleyRock T-shirt, wings from The Lube and sno cones.

Registration for the tournament is at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, and the games will commence at 12:00 p.m. outside the Down Under. A Board Picnic will be held outside of Russell Hall in the afternoon as well. Bingo will end the day at 10:00 p.m.

The tournament will be a series of single elimination games, and the winning team will be awarded \$180.00 to divide six ways. The second place team will be awarded \$120.00 to divide among the members of the team.

"We had a late start getting things going this year," said Shawn Martina, coordinator of VolleyRock 2000, "but things really seem to be coming together, and a lot of people are getting involved."

For additional information contact Shawn at EXT. 7042.

## Titans drop two to Ashland University

The baseball team saw its record drop to 9-20 overall and 5-15 in GLIAC play, as the Titans dropped a league doubleheader at home on Wednesday to Ashland University 7-3 and 5-1. The Eagles, defending GLIAC Champions and NCAA D-II World Series participants, improved to 27-14 overall, 13-6 GLIAC.

Westminster took an early 1-0 lead in game one before Ashland took the lead for good at 6-1 with two runs each in the second, third and fifth frames. The Titans narrowed the gap to 6-3 in the bottom of the fifth with two runners on, but would get no closer. Freshman pitcher Matt Pourmaras took the loss in his first career collegiate start for the Titans, falling to 0-2 after allowing six runs on 13 hits with one strikeout in five innings of work.

Offensively, Westminster was limited to just five hits in the contest, with freshman shortstop B.G. Davison going 2-for-4 with a double and all three RBIs.

The nightcap saw the Eagles jump out early with four first inning runs and one more in the second for an early 5-0 advantage. The Titans scored their lone run in the fourth on a double by freshman outfielder Rob Thompson, followed by an RBI single by Pourmaras. Freshman pitcher Kevin Culp took the pitching loss for WC, falling to 2-4 after giving up five runs (three earned) on nine hits with eight strikeouts. Senior second baseman Tom Nulph led the Titans at the plate, going 3-for-4 with a double.

## Track & field captures wins

By Wendy Hamilton  
STAFF WRITER

The track & field team competed this past weekend at the Slippery Rock University Open Meet.

Leading the way for the Titan's was sophomore Jacob Gleason who posted a pair of wins at the event. Gleason won the 3,000 meter steeplechase in a time of 10:00.68, then came back to capture the 5,000 meter run in 16:00.94, beating Andy Alexander of Ashland by just one second (16:01.94).

Other top place finishers were sophomore Scott Fabry, who won the 10,000 meter run in 35:46.43, and Mark Scott, a junior, who placed third in the 800 meter run in 1:59.07.

"We pulled together as a team, despite the cold weather," Fabry said. "We all had a determination to run and that helped to drive our team to numerous improved times."

"Heading into the final two weeks of the season everyone seems to be peaking in their performances at the right time," head coach Larry Ondako said.

## Golf team season ends at Mercyhurst

The men's golf team closed the 2000 season Wednesday at the Mercyhurst Invitational in Erie. The Titan linksters tied with Mercyhurst for fourth place in the seven-team field, with each team firing a four-man total of 323. Ferris State University captured the team championships with a team score of 298.

Leading the way for the Titans was junior Mike Burnett with a team-low score of 80. Three Titan golfers fired 81's: sophomore Jim McGovern and freshmen Drew Aufderheide and Dave Blazek. Freshman Josh Latore rounded out the scores for WC with an 85.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



## Bash

*American Psycho* takes us inside the mind of the Patrick Bateman. Masterfully played by Christian Bale (Velvet Goldmine, Empire of the Sun), Batemen is a CEO obsessed with every aspect of himself. From his soaps, to his clothes, to his apartment to his physique, Batemen is a man of perfection. Drawing from eighties excess, Batemen's life is all designer suits and furniture, cocaine and credit cards. In Batemen's world, you are ranked according where you get your dinner reservations, and the font on your business card.

Utilized as a metaphor for yuppie heartlessness, Bateman turns to murder, perhaps to humanize himself, and fill the emptiness in his life. It's Batemen's style of homicide that provides the movie with its most memorable scenes. While listening to Phil Collins, Huey Lewis, Janet Jackson and other eighties favorites, Bateman draws from his personal arsenal of nail guns, axes, knives, clothes hangers, and countless other tools to off his co-workers, the homeless, dogs, hookers, and a slew of others.

*American Psycho* mirrors David Fincher's *Fight Club* in several ways. While they both offer a healthy dose of social commentary, they're comedies focusing on the emptiness of a materialistic society, and both are encased in violence and mayhem.

Much has been made about *American Psycho*'s supposed graphic content. Like Bret Easton's 1991 novel, the movie has been attacked by the usual suspects in the censorship game. As for the content in question, it's a bunch of hoopla. The murders aren't grisly, just funny, the best of them being Batemen butchering Jared Leto with a gleaming axe on top of a carefully prepared sheet of newspapers and a sheet to Huey Lewis while wearing a raincoat.

*American Psycho* isn't as good as *Fight Club*. Its surreal ending leaves things a bit too inconclusive, and it's social commentary could have been expanded. None of these things hamper the movie though, as it succeeds as a tongue in cheek look at the image-obsessed culture of the eighties, that leaked into the nineties, and is still with us today.

## Yazmin Ghonaim-Guest Review

*American Psycho* is written and directed by Mary Harron (*I Shot Andy Warhol*), and adapted from the controversial novel with the same title, by Bret Easton Ellis. *American Psycho* is a film which portrays—with playful meticulousness—the vainglorious world of a young and affluent Wall Street broker and psychopath, who has an exquisite taste for clothing, dining, music, body training, fornicating, maiming and killing. Through this well sketched character, *American Psycho* offers a fierce -yet satirical—social commentary about the excesses that characterized the 1980s.

Patrick Bateman (Christian Bale: *Velvet Goldmine*) believes in taking care of himself. He visits the most exclusive restaurants, he wears the finest suits, and he sustains an outer beauty with facials and body treatments, while also applying the most rigorous of disciplines (one thousand daily abdominal crunches) to sculpt his image. Vice President of Pierce & Pierce, the sharp looking Patrick Bateman works simply to fit in. A normal workday involves making lunch reservations, volunteering dressing tips to his bashful secretary (Chloe Sevigny: *Boy's Don't Cry*), returning entertainment videos on time, getting rid of bloodstained sheets, and comparing business cards with his cookie-cutter associates, with whom he also socializes alongside fiancée Evelyn Williams (Reese Witherspoon), lover Courtney Rawlinson (Samantha Mathis) or other female counterparts. Patrick's routine is upset, however, when rival Paul Owen (Jared Leto) mysteriously disappears and detective Donald Kimball (Willem Dafoe) directs his investigation toward Patrick.

*American Psycho* builds its story around the psychosis of its protagonist and narrator, who declares: "I think my mask of sanity is about to slip." Although the film is a close adaptation of the novel, *American Psycho* does not share the same degree of explicitness for scenes involving sex and/or violence. Still, *American Psycho* does transmit with brutal force the social decadence that permits—if not promotes—such perversities as those that Patrick Bateman performs and literally feeds on. While the actual graphic violence occurs off-screen, *American Psycho*'s images are amplified by the careful use of music, color and overall frame composition. On a narrative level, most scenes in *American Psycho* are imbued in an undercurrent of dark humor which, together with Bale's convincing performance, contrast the one-dimensional, plastic world of its most invisible inhabitant and accentuate the hollowness of his futile existence.

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## That's a fact Jack: A behind-the-scenes look at Mark Eddie

By Kendra McClymonds  
A&E EDITOR

Taken from [www.markeddie.com](http://www.markeddie.com)

Q. Take a professional musician with a twisted sense of humor and a knack for impressions and what do you get?

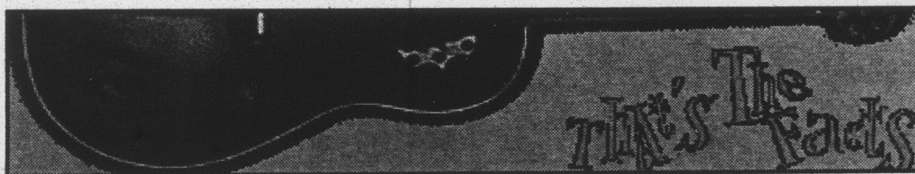
A. Rock-Comic Mark Eddie, coming to the Down Under this Friday April 28th at 8 p.m.!

With years of experience as an accomplished singer/songwriter and guitarist, Mark knows how to rock a crowd! He fuels his comedy engine with great songs, dead-on impressions, parodies, sing-alongs and hilarious musical observations. Mark's high energy musical show pokes fun at a wide variety of artists, including Hootie and the Blowfish, Bob Dylan, Neil Diamond, Garth Brooks, Van Morrison, Matchbox 20, Michael Bolton, and more!

It's a true celebration of music and comedy. His pure talent, good-natured personality and flair for audience interaction have been winning the affection of crowds all over the country. Mark's many character voices are heard nationally on jingles for Nickelodeon and numerous animated network promos. He is a four time NACA "Campus Entertainer of the Year" nominee and CAT Magazine "Readers Choice Award" nominee. In addition, he is a featured artist on the CBS/Sony release entitled, "Peanut Butter Jam" and has just released the second of his lively comedy CD's entitled, "Rock n Roll Comedy Cuts Part II".

Mark Eddie is more than just your average stand up comedy act; he is an all around entertainer, and one of the most lovable performers touring today.

The following is a list of facts that you've always wanted to know about Mark Eddie, but were afraid to ask...



FACT: Mark enjoys playing the "William Tell Overture" by tapping on the bottom of his chin.

FACT: In 1996, "Marijuanaville", which was a hidden track on Mark's first album, charted in *CMJ* magazine and reached #1 on college stations in the country.

FACT: Every now and again, Mark enjoys a little synchronized chair dancing.

FACT: Mark Eddie is a recovering alter-boy.

FACT: Mark Eddie has officially determined how many cups of coffee is "too many."

FACT: Mark has an unnatural fear of staplers.

FACT: In 1996, Mark Eddie was voted the #1 Acoustic Act in Pittsburgh, PA by readers of The Pittsburgh City Paper!

FACT: Often and without warning Mark will practice making fax and modem noises.

FACT: Mark co-hosted a popular late night TV show for four seasons on an NBC affiliate station in Pittsburgh, PA called, Date Night TV.

FACT: In the memo field of all his personal checks, Mark writes "for sexual favors."

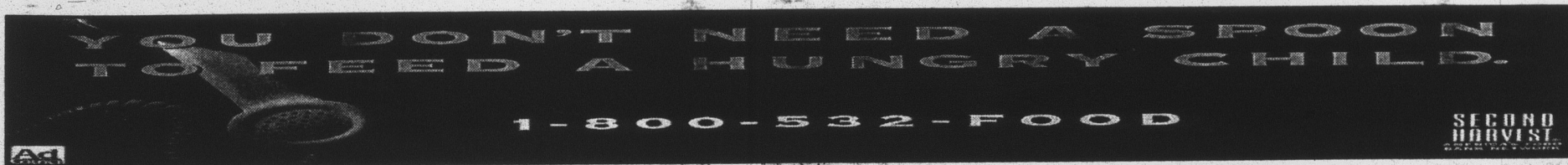
FACT: When driving around the country, Mark insists on keeping his car windshield wipers running in all weather conditions "just to keep 'em tuned up."

FACT: Mark occasionally shouts out random numbers while someone is counting.

FACT: Mark has appeared in concert with Tim Allen, Jimmy Buffett, Melissa Etheridge, Dennis Miller, Gilbert Godfreid and others!

FACT: His motto in college, "You can retake a test but, you can't relive a party!"

FACT: Mark was separated from his parents at birth and toilet trained at gunpoint.





# OPINION

## Question of the week

Would you like to say anything to a graduating senior?

**B. J. Mathieu and Tony Arrigo,**  
freshmen

"Good luck to Andy Schneider. Try not to harrass the kids you have to teach. Love from Mel Mac."



**Andrew Parshall,**  
senior  
"To Joe Kurtz...  
Wazzssup!!!"

**Kutilla Warner,**  
freshman  
"To Alli Slopek, Grandma, now that you're leaving, I guess I'll have to be the bad one in the family. Good Luck!"



**Kati Draper,** sophomore  
"Janae Mehalik, I'll miss your serenades. Good luck in the future."

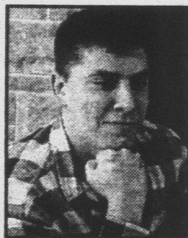
**Jenn Body,** junior  
"Angie Hawley, I hope you find the teaching job of your dreams. We'll miss you!"

**Stephanie Dawson,** sophomore  
"Rich Regelski, Good luck in Japan. I'll miss you."



**Melissa Murphy,**  
freshman  
"Melanie Meyers, I'll miss walking around the track with you for an hour."

**Rob Fertlmes,**  
senior  
"Dave Kost. You are so intense. Good luck."



**Jennifer Hooks,** freshman  
"Mike Henry, congratulations on your graduation! I'm so proud of all that you have done this year. You have been a positive influence on my studies, and have helped me set goals for my future. I will miss you SO MUCH next year. I love you and wish you only the best."

## OUR VIEW: Ignorance is not bliss

Since the beginning of time, man has slowly been destroying the society that he created. It used to be a slow process. At first, it was by destroying that which we did not know. Then, it was plunging us into a period of technological regression. However, now it seems that since we haven't been able to destroy our society, we must simply destroy the world in which we live.

Mankind has become so detrimental to itself that we simply go about our everyday lives, knowing full well the cause and effects of our behavior but choose to ignore them and take the attitude of doing what we feel like in the present and screwing the future. From the time we reach late adolescence, we begin slowly to learn the habit of ignoring the future and going for what seems good now. By the time we reach the college age, the detrimental effects swing into full force.

College students are the epitome of negligence. We seem to think it's going to be OK if we use all our credit now and don't pay the bills. A similar instance is when we put off responsibility to encourage ourselves in the widely practiced pastime of alcoholism. It is this period in life that sets the paths and opens or shuts the respective windows of opportunity. But as long as there is beer flowing and a few hours of sleep, we tend to think that "It's

gonna be alright."

In a class discussion about how society is ruining the planet by polluting the ozone and making the holes bigger, the comment was made, "Screw the grandkids. I'm cold now. So open that hole and let the warming begin."

Everyone looked at the kid as if he had two

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heads. It wasn't even as if the kid was making another inappropriate joke, he was serious. Is this what our society has fallen into? For the simple pleasure of having warmer weather, this kid would sacrifice the future existence of our society rather than get off his lazy ass and put on a coat or turn up the heat.

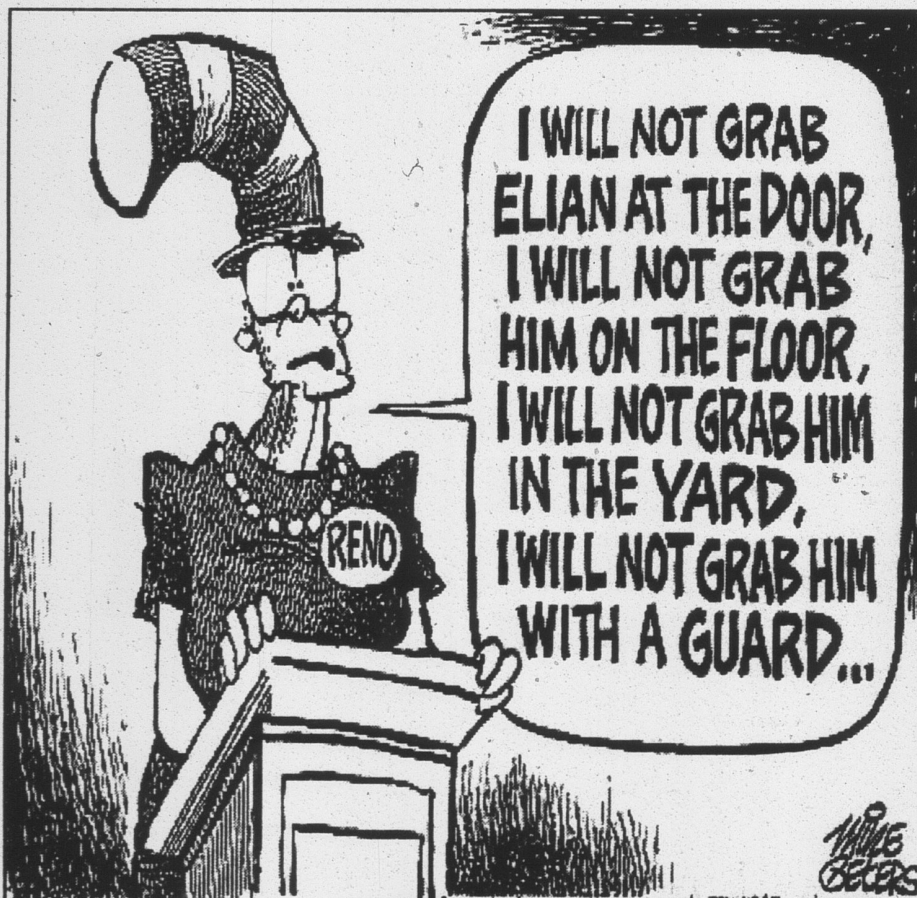
Many college students have fallen to the credit hounds; charging beyond recompense and ignoring the debt until it was almost too late. They simply shrug off all responsibility

until the last possible second. It's attitudes like these that spread like wild fire to the ignorant and the dim-witted.

In college, not everyone is dim-witted or ignorant. The most unintelligent person proves beyond a reasonable doubt that they were not ignorant. Ignorance is not synonymous with stupidity. The ignorance referred to is the deliberate denial of the truth. When we know what we are doing, (by polluting, littering or even drinking the night before an exam) yet still choose to satisfy our desires now, rather than hold out for the betterment of the future, that is ignorance.

Not everyone possesses this ignorance; there are glimmers of hope amongst the college ranks. However, as we continue to move towards the total denial of the consequences of our actions these few glimmers will extinguish. For the first time in the history of the world, one race has the capability to prevent extinction. We have the knowledge and technology to prevent ourselves from assuming the fates of the dinosaurs and the dodo. It is in our grasp to not give in to the process of natural selection or the seemingly inevitable extinction of our species. We must choose to ignite those few glimmers of hope into a raging inferno and "Not go gently into the night."

## —EDITORIAL COMIC—



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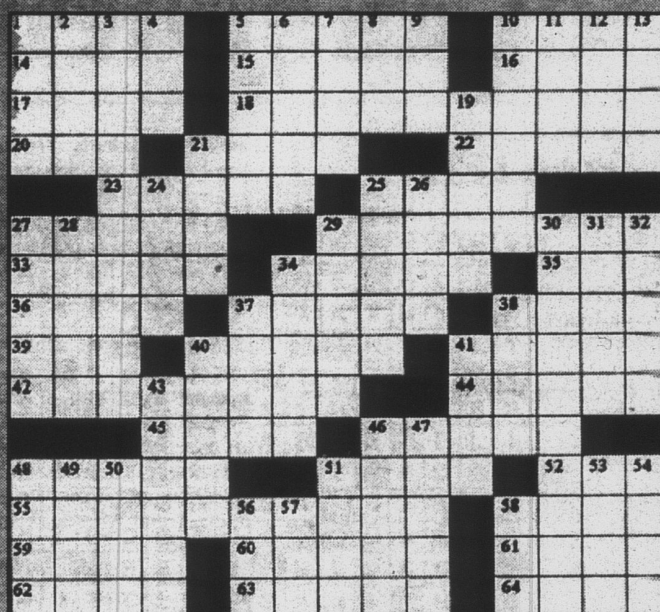


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## HOROSCOPES

**Aries**

A combination of coincidences could get your mind pondering the winds of fate. But don't forget that common sense also plays a major role in whether or not we succeed.

**Taurus**

Use your imagination if you encounter an obstacle today. Being a free spirit is a wonderful way to walk through this place we call planet Earth.

**Gemini**

Serving others is a condition to strive for, but do not confuse it with letting people walk all over you. Stand up for your own rights as well as the rights of other human beings.

**Cancer**

Searching for a lost heart can be a lonely adventure. Do not be afraid to accept an offer of assistance in your endeavor.

**Leo**

This is the season of rebirth. Spend a moment today feasting your eyes on the glorious wonders of the universe. See that glory in all things.

**Virgo**

Make your life more meaningful. Turn off the television, put down the newspaper, maybe even shut down your computer. Enjoy the outdoors and the splendor they offer.

**Libra**

Ongoing challenges could have you down for a while, but look for the silver lining on your particular cloud. It is by living that we learn, unfortunately not all of the lessons are easy.

**Scorpio**

Something you are working on could take longer than first anticipated. Remember that if it is worth doing, it is worth doing right the first time.

**Sagittarius**

A frustrating person in your life is in actuality a lesson in self-esteem. Take a step back to see why he or she is causing you doubt.

**Capricorn**

Staying committed to a recent resolution has been difficult. Remember to take it step by step and concentrate on the issue at hand.

**Aquarius**

That deep hunger for a change has got you daydreaming of better things to come. Just do not settle for an easy, quick-fix solution.

**Pisces**

No matter where you live, watch for an excitement in the air that seems to have uplifted people's spirits. Enjoy it while it lasts and think about courage and forgiveness.

The Holcad would like to thank the campus community for all of their support in the past year.

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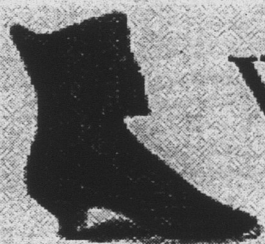
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Westminster College has summer employment in the Physical Plant. The Physical Plant needs a crew leader. The position will begin May 15th and continue until August 25, 2000. The 40-hour workweek will include the hours from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Qualifications include knowledge of various painting techniques and equipment, patching, replacing and finishing drywall and plaster surfaces, ability to supervise a crew of ten student painters. Deadline for applications is April 27, 2000. The physical plant is also

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Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre is looking for interns for this summer and next fall. Their marketing department especially needs extra assistance from Thanksgiving through December. More information is available in the Career Center or call Carol Meeder at (412) 281-0360 or fax (412) 281-9001.

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George Junior Republic is looking for recreational counselors and lifeguards. Applicants must be at least 21 years old, have a valid driver's license, and be able to pass criminal background checks. All majors are welcome to apply for this part-time summer employment. Work hours include 5:45-9:30 p.m. weekdays, and 12:45-9:30 p.m. weekends. For more information, call (724) 458-9330.

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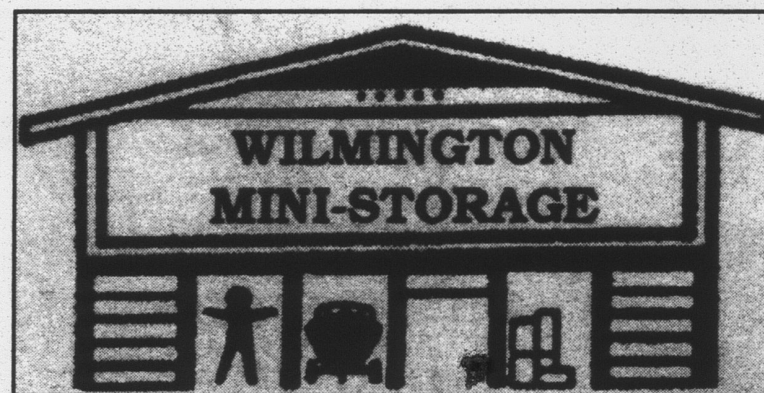
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## FRIDAY 28

Geology Field Trip to West Virginia  
 Last Day to Submit Appeal for Off-Campus Housing Exemption  
 Softball @ GLIAC North Cluster (Midland, MI)  
 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. IKEA Recruiter — TUB Grill  
 11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. — Chapel  
 4:30 p.m. Groundbreaking Ceremony for Edwards Wing of Memorial Field House  
 6:00 p.m. Career Center FBI Job Presentation — TUB A/B  
 7:30 p.m. Theatre Production "Hobson's Choice" — Beechly Theater  
 8:00 p.m. Wind Ensemble Symphonic Band — Orr Auditorium  
 9:00 p.m. Mark Eddie (comedian) — Down Under  
 10:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. JT's Cafe — Down Under

## SATURDAY 29

Campus Visitation Day  
 Geology Field Trip to West Virginia  
 Softball @ GLIAC North Cluster (Midland, MI)  
 10:00 a.m. Panhellenic Easter Egg Hunt — Ferguson Hall Lawn Area Inclement weather location: Anderson Amphitheater  
 11:00 a.m. Alpha Phi Omega Story Hour — McGill Children's Library  
 Noon Volley Rock  
 1:00 p.m. Baseball @ Northwood  
 TBA Track and Field @ Baldwin Wallace Invitational  
 7:00 p.m. Mass — Chapel  
 7:30 p.m. Theatre Production "Hobson's Choice" — Beechly Theater  
 8:00 p.m. Jazz Ensemble Concert — Anderson Amphitheater (Inclement weather site: TUB Lounge)  
 8:00 p.m. Chapel Drama Rehearsal — Chapel  
 TBA Zeta Tau Alpha Formal

## SUNDAY 30

Geology Field Trip to West Virginia  
 Softball @ GLIAC North Cluster (Midland, MI)  
 1:00 p.m. Baseball @ Northwood  
 2:00 p.m. Phi Mu Senior Send-Off — Down Under  
 2:00 p.m. Chapel Drama: "Godspell" — Chapel  
 6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting @ Chapter House  
 7:00 p.m. Vespers — Chapel  
 7:00 p.m. Chapel Drama: "Godspell" — Chapel  
 9:00 p.m. "The Sopranos" — Down Under  
 10:00 p.m. Movie — Down Under  
 TBA Alpha Gamma Delta Senior Wills — Russell Hall Dining Room

## MONDAY 1

FILE FAFSA 2000  
 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Vector Marketing Recruiting — TUB Grill  
 11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. — Chapel  
 5:00 p.m. PRSSA Ceremony — Chapel  
 5:30 p.m. Panhellenic Meeting — TUB A/B  
 5:30 p.m. Phi Kappa Tau Meeting — HSC 152  
 6:00 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting — Phillips Lecture Hall  
 6:00 p.m. Sigma Kappa Senior Wills — TUB Lounge  
 6:15 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting — PH 112-113

6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting — Tub A/B  
 6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting — TCF 116  
 7:00 p.m. Faculty Piano Recital: Nancy Zipay DeSalvo — Orr Auditorium  
 7:00 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting — PH 311-312  
 8:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice — Chapel  
 9:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Activation — Chapel

## TUESDAY 2

Classes End  
 Friday Classes Meet  
 11:00 a.m. - 3 p.m. Stress Management Day — Health Center  
 Noon Campus Club Luncheon — Sharon Country Club  
 1:00 p.m. Baseball @ Mercyhurst  
 TBA Zeta Tau Alpha Senior Wills  
 4:30 p.m. Phi Mu Senior Send-off — TUB A/B  
 5:00 p.m. Gospel Choir Banquet — Down Under  
 8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting — TUB A/B  
 8:00 p.m. Praise Jam — Chapel  
 9:00 p.m. Cram Jam — Duff Dining Hall (breakfast food)

## WEDNESDAY 3

Reading Day  
 11:30 a.m. Employee Recognition Luncheon — Russell Hall Dining Room  
 4:00 p.m. Student Composition Recital: Tony Casale — Chapel  
 Walton-Mayne Open 24 Hours

## THURSDAY 4

Final Exams  
 Walton-Mayne Open 24 Hours

## FRIDAY 5

Final Exams  
 TBA Softball @ GLIAC Tournament (Ferris State)  
 Walton-Mayne Open 24 Hours

## SATURDAY 6

Final Exams  
 TBA Track and Field @ GLIAC Championships (Allendale, MI)  
 Walton-Mayne Open 24 Hours  
 7:00 p.m. Senior Mass

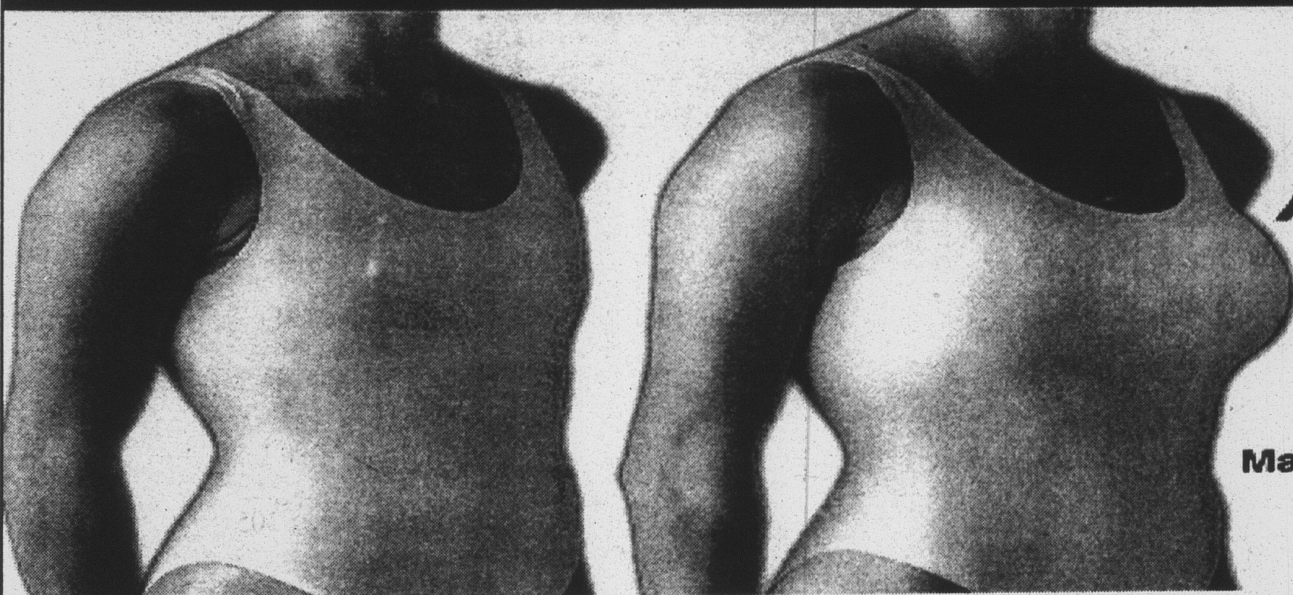
## SUNDAY 7

Walton-Mayne Open 24 Hours

## MONDAY 8

Final Exams  
 6:00 p.m. Halls Close for Spring Semester  
 10:00 p.m. Walton-Mayne Closes  
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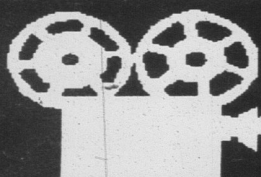
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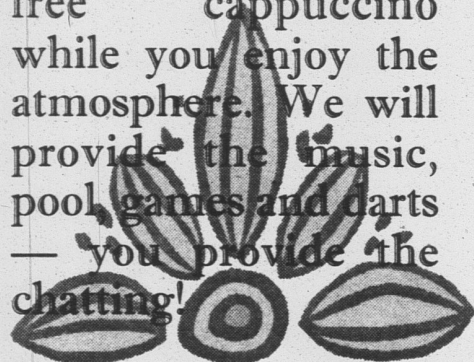
## END OF DAYS

SUNDAY, APRIL 30 AT 10:00 P.M.

Sunday, April 30 at 9:00 p.m.

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Come join us for free cappuccino while you enjoy the atmosphere. We will provide the music, pool, games and darts — you provide the chatting!



Friday, April 28 from 10:00 p.m. til 2:00 a.m.

Baked goods will be available with the cappuccino. Try us out from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. in the Down Under. We look forward to seeing you there.





# The HOLCAD

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## Gender gap closes with class of '04

By Darcie Yobp  
STAFF WRITER

Another school year, another few hundred fresh faces on campus; Westminster has just welcomed a new class of first-year students. This class is quite similar in composition to last year's, and they seem happy to be here.

According to the Brad Tokar, associate director of admissions, Westminster's newest have basically the same geographical, demographic, and academic profiles as last year's recruitments. Dean of Admissions Doug Swartz agreed, but added that this year's class has a slightly better academic record.

While in number, the class has decreased slightly—341 students compared to 353 last year. Admissions did exceed its goal of 340. And most should be interested to know that the female to male percentage gap is closing with 58 percent to 42 percent this year as opposed to 64 percent to 36 percent the previous. Tokar said the gap is expected to narrow even further once Westminster football makes the move to Division III.

As for diversity, there's nothing new about

this class; only two percent (or six) are minority students. Swartz and Tokar attributed this partially to the void Westminster currently has in the Multicultural Affairs Office since its director Phil King's sudden departure. But Swartz said that achieving diversity is a complicated objective.

"Diversity cannot be addressed through the recruitment of minority students alone, but first needs to be addressed through changes [greater diversity] in faculty and staff," Swartz said. Westminster hopes to reach its goal of 50 minority students (total) by the year 2003. Currently, the institution can only boast about 30.

First-year student Emily Mateer said she thinks greater diversity would improve the college experience at Westminster. "I think that meeting new people within other cultures is all a part of growing and if you don't have that you're missing out."

Otherwise, first-year students seem to be quite pleased with the college.

"Everyone is so friendly. I thought people

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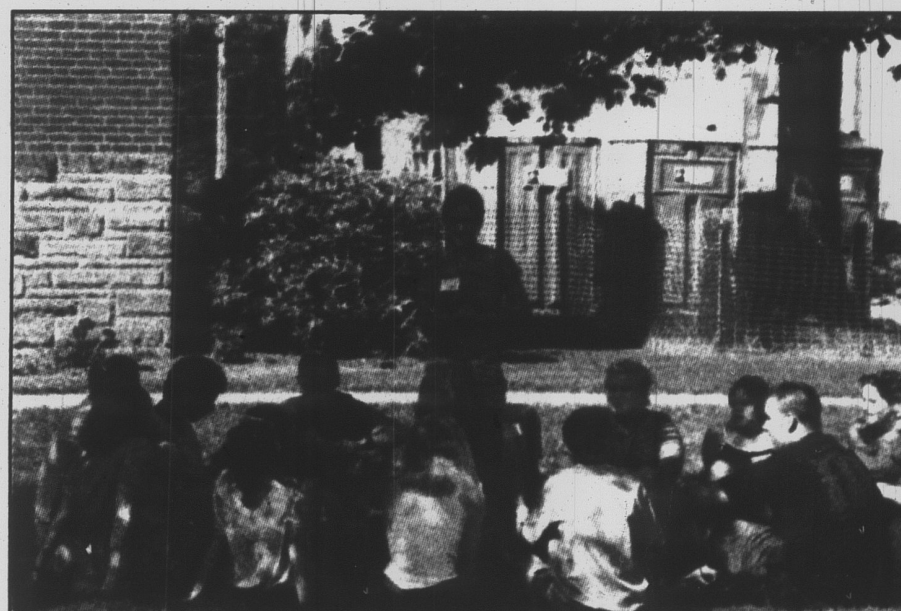


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Freshmen convene during Fresh Start for orientation and socialization.

## Hoyt sliding causes safety questions

By Jon McKay  
STAFF WRITER

Maybe you noticed the unevenness in the floors. Or maybe you saw some of the slight cracks in the walls. Maybe you even read the informational e-mail, but no matter how you found out about the structural changes to Hoyt Science Resource Center, two things are for certain: they are for real, and they pose no danger.

Although rumors circulated about the stability of the building earlier in the school year, the condition of Hoyt was clarified by a campus-wide e-mail sent by Physical Plant

Director Owen Wagner. The e-mail carefully stated all the facts about what is happening to the building. First, some of the concrete walls attached to the steel structure are warping. Adjustments to the wall attachments, such as replacing windows and signs, have since been made to ensure complete safety. Second, sub-soil conditions are causing the concrete floor to heave in the Math and Computer Science Department.

Several experts, including structural engineers and contractors, have concluded through extensive tests that a safety problem does not exist. This sentiment is also echoed across campus.

"I really don't think there is anything to worry about," said Mindy Falk, junior. "If the problem was really that bad, the college would not allow classes to meet there. I feel safe when I'm in the building."

Even those who have offices in Hoyt are not overly concerned about the safety of the structure. Professor of Psychology Dr. Mark J. Sciutto first found out about the changes over the summer. "There doesn't appear to be any danger. They seem to have it under control, and they are keeping us up to date with all of the information," Sciutto said.

In addition to the campus-wide e-mail, Wagner has made multiple presentations explaining the situation to the occupants of

Hoyt. "There is nothing to worry about. When people are in Hoyt, they have no reason not to feel secure," Wagner said.

The optimism expressed by the majority of the campus community is not shared by all however. "I guess I'm not as confident in the structure as everyone else is," said Richard Chapin, junior. "A building that size shouldn't have cracks in it. If something major happens, the college is going to be sorry it didn't do more."

Future plans for dealing with the situation include daily monitoring of ground water and building movement, and the use of engineers to review current conditions and predict any future problems.

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under construction

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## CAMPUS NEWS

### Alumni and students connect through e-mentoring

By Laura Stanley  
STAFF WRITER

As the college slides into the 21st century, more school programs are diving into the vast pool of technology. One such program, sure to swim, involves the Student Alumni Association.

Beginning this semester, members of SAA have the opportunity to correspond with alumni through e-mail. This program titled e-

mentoring will allow students to be paired with alumni based on similar career field interests.

"E-mail seems to make sense because participants can e-mail whenever they want. You don't have to worry about time zones or business meetings. People can write back when it's convenient for them," said Director of Alumni Relations, Mary James.

"We thought it would be a good connection," she added.

The program was a result of various fac-

tors. SAA members expressed a desire to develop closer ties with alumni, while alums from distant parts of the country wanted to help students prepare for their careers. James decided it was time to take advantage of the campus' e-mail system. From the Alumni Council, James' connection with alums, and the desired involvement of students, the e-mentoring program was born.

Currently, the e-mentoring program is limited to SAA members, of which 20-25 have

signed up. James' hope is the program will receive positive feedback from participants.

The goal for spring semester is to open the program to all students. Anyone who is interested in the e-mentoring program should wait until spring to register.

Although no e-mails have been swapped yet, alums have responded with interest to the e-mentoring article in the August 23rd edition of Westminster Weekly. Participating alumni and students are currently being paired, and should be connected by October.

### Three sororities participate in this year's fall pick-up

By Alyssa Detore  
STAFF WRITER

Picture it. You're sitting comfortably in your dorm room, settling in for an evening of homework (or procrastination, as the case may be.) Suddenly, the quiet is pierced by loud cheers and shouts coming from outside. Do not be alarmed. Sororities have started their fall pick-up and that noise is just the excitement of receiving new pledges. Female students in their sophomore, junior, or senior

year are eligible to receive a bid from a sorority.

Upon accepting a bid they are welcomed into Greek life as a member of that particular sorority. Sigma Kappa, one of the college's five sororities, was the first to engage in the somewhat noisy event, picking up their pledges on August 30.

"We extended our bids and picked up seven new girls. That night we took them back to our suite for a pizza party, and on

Sunday we visited Moraine State Park to enjoy the good weather and spend time with our new pledges," president Kelly Smith said.

On Thursday evening, Phi Mu picked up five new members. "We're really excited about our new pledges because they are a really good group of girls," president Sarah Phillips said. "The sorority is also looking forward to rush this school year. We can't wait to get to know everyone."

Alpha Gamma Delta also extended their

bids and picked up two new "baby squirrels." President Katrina Kenney said: "We are extremely happy with the girls we picked up because we know they will compliment our sorority very well. We're also very excited to meet the freshman class and get to know all the new girls."

Kappa Delta and Zeta Tau Alpha have not picked up any new pledges yet, but both sororities are also anxiously anticipating the new school year and are looking forward to formal rush.

### Second phase of field house construction underway

By Jon McKay  
STAFF WRITER

Construction on the Field House, including renovations and additions, is in full force as students return to campus. Architects are currently focusing on adding 9,250 square feet of new locker room space, renovating 2,600 square feet of locker room space, and adding a new boiler room. The scheduled completion date for these renovations and additions is set for July 2001.

Work began last month after one year of planning. The construction is made possible through fundraising and donations made by various sources. Those behind the scenes and beams of the construction have high hopes for the project.

"The expansion of the field house is something that was started several years ago to accommodate the campus community," said Physical Plant Director Owen Wagner. "This is a joint effort by a lot of people: the athletic department, the physical plant folks, the business office personnel. Everything the physical plant does affects someone else on campus and this construction is no different."

The field house construction was

originally planned in phases, but over the past several years campus administration has stepped back from that plan.

The next undertaking at the field house will be the resurfacing of the track. This will begin in the spring or summer of '01 and will convert the track to an all-weather surface.

Head baseball coach Sean Kelly is pleased with the construction. "This type of expansion is what small colleges are all about," he said. "Colleges in this area of the country are always doing some kind of campus development or renovation. Better facilities and more space in the field house will benefit everyone."

Kelly hopes the construction will not end inside the field house, saying: "I would like to see them continue to develop and expand the area in back of the field house. These upgrades are helping to put Westminster alongside other colleges in the area. We have excellent athletic facilities."

Contracted workers not affiliated with the college are doing the site development and construction.

The field house was originally constructed in 1950. Major additions, including the natatorium, were done in 1975.

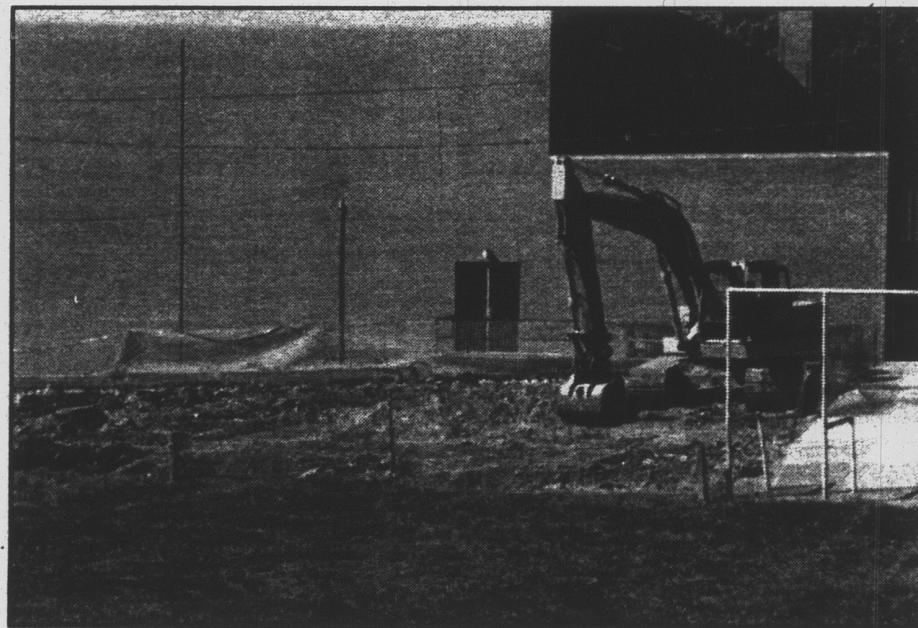


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New locker rooms highlight the second phase of renovations.

### New website better serves current and future students

By Katie Brentzel  
STAFF WRITER

The beginning of the school year brings about changes in a number of areas, including the college's website. After seven months of planning, the newly renovated website was posted on July 31.

The improvements of the site began after the Communication Services Office

expressed a desire for the website to "better serve current students, prospective students, parents, and alumni," said Mark Meighan, Senior Director of Marketing Communications.

Web Designer Deanna Drisko worked with school administrators to create a site that was reorganized, consistent and user friendly as well as current in terms of the technology

available to the school.

As feasibility allows, visitors to the site will be able to take a virtual tour of the campus through streaming video and audio features.

In addition to the new appearance, the website also has a search option visitors can use to find information.

"The Web is evolving by nature. The pro-

ject will never be finished. It will be updated and improved to meet the demands of those who visit the site," Meighan said.

Prior to this school year, the previous website had not been completely redesigned since 1996.

Visitors of the site are urged to give feedback based on their feelings towards the website.



## Variety of departments welcome twenty new faculty members

By Heidi Krieger  
STAFF WRITER

Among the many new faces on campus this fall are twenty new part and full time faculty in 13 different departments. Together they have 51 degrees from 32 different universities.

The new faculty are filling positions vacated for various reasons such as professors retiring, resigning, taking a sabbatical or a leave of absence. Some are filling new positions which are the result of an expanded faculty.

"We've done an absolutely outstanding job recruiting high quality faculty," said Dean of Academic Affairs, John Deegan, Jr. He also stressed that the college has a very detailed and comprehensive search process to ensure that the "best and brightest" are hired. The search process usually tries to involve students in the decision, by allowing them to evaluate the candidate. The students' opinions are taken into consideration during the hiring process.

The new faculty are as follows.

Barry S. Bonnell, Visiting Assistant Professor of Biology  
John C. Robertson, Assistant Professor of Biology  
James L. Cherney, Instructor of Speech  
Bradley L. Weaver, Instructor of

Broadcast Communications

Betty P. Talbert, Visiting Instructor of Business Administration

Benita H. Muth, Assistant Professor of Humanities

C. David Shaffer, Assistant Professor of Computer Science

Nancy J. DeSalvo, Visiting Assistant Professor of Music

Elizabeth A. Harrison, Assistant Professor of Music

Robin Anna-Karin Lind, Assistant Professor of Music

Laurel D. Nicolas, Visiting Instructor of Physics

Andrea K. Grove, Assistant Professor of Political Science

Timothy Cuff, Visiting Assistant Professor of Humanities

Katherine A. Shaffer, Department of Chemistry

Karen Tarka, Department of Education

Linda M. Volpe, Department of English & Public Relations

Natalie Eppelsheimer, Department of Modern Languages

Brett W. Dietz, Department of Music

Sharon R. Rotuna, Department of Music

Carla A. Blum, Department of Psychology

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were just saying that, but it's true," Rachel Bazylak said, "I also thought the food was going to be really bad, but it's actually pretty good."

Transfer student Brian Zarecky said he was pleased to find that Westminster is "not as much of a party school as Robert Morris, at least during the week." (Though other students said they were having plenty of fun at weeknight parties.)

Kelly Eddy said that Fresh Start helped her make new friends. "Our group really clicked."

Students also seemed surprised by the Westminster workload. "It's not as hard as I expected," Craig Carlin said, "I don't have as much work as I expected, but I'm sure it will pick up." Similarly, Dana Markovics said she expected college to be "so hard, but it just seems like a step up from high school."

But, all in all, the first-year students appear well acclimated to college life and happy at Westminster. As Carlin summed it up, "yeah, it's a good school."

## Bipolar musical entertainment for Greek Philanthropy Week

### Opportunity for Greeks to meet fall pick-up prospects

By Tara Crawford  
STAFF WRITER

As an addition to "Meet the Greeks," Panhellenic Council and the Interfraternity Council will hold its first annual Greek Philanthropy Week September 11th through 15th.

Events begin at 7pm Saturday evening in the amphitheater. Activities will include the traditional "Meet the Greeks," and entertainment by the band *Bipolar*. "Greeks will have a chance to advertise themselves as part of an 'unofficial rush event'" according to Ian Magness, President of Sigma Nu fraternity. Food and beverages will be provided. All students, Greeks and independents, are encouraged to attend.

Also, this coming Monday through Friday, each fraternity and sorority will be given one day to display items and information to represent themselves. The display will be located in the TUB throughout the day.

The purpose of Greek Philanthropy Week is to give freshmen a chance to learn more about Greek life, in particular each organization and its members. President of Panhellenic Council, Michelle Knestrick, believes that Greek Philanthropy Week "will provide an excellent chance for both freshmen and upperclassmen. Since this is the only informational Greek event in the fall, it allows freshmen an earlier chance to get to know the members of each organization." Knestrick also included that "it gives fraternities and sororities a chance to meet upperclassmen viable for fall pick-up."

The schedule for displays in the TUB is as follows:

Monday: Alpha Gamma Delta/Alpha Sigma Phi

Tuesday: Kappa Delta/Phi Kappa Tau

Wednesday: Phi Mu/Sigma Nu

Thursday: Sigma Kappa/Sigma Phi Epsilon

Friday: Zeta Tau Alpha/Theta Chi

## Weird news

### Music gets boost into orbit

KALISPELL, Mont. - Musician Jack Gladstone isn't a household name, he doesn't sell out arenas and his albums aren't at the top of the charts. But he's popular in outer space. The Blackfeet Indian songwriter recently received word that an astronaut took a copy of his Buffalo Cafe compact disc with him on the space shuttle Atlantis. "I guess you could say your music is 'out of this world!'" wrote astronaut Scott J. Horowitz in a note to Gladstone. Air Force Lt. Col. Horowitz took Gladstone's music with him on the 98th flight of the space shuttle Atlantis, which orbited the Earth 155 times in May. "We may not have gone platinum, but we boldly went where I think no other Montana musician has gone," Gladstone said.

### Don't just sit on the sofa, be the sofa

LUDINGTON, Mich. - Patricia Anderson and Doris Bates were fed up with traditional entries at the Western Michigan Fair. This year, they went as couch potatoes. The idea started with a venerable old sofa. "An old couch was loaned to me a couple of years ago," Anderson said. "Doris and I both have handicap problems and in the past we have used it to rest upon. This year I told her, 'We're just a couple of couch potatoes.'" The pair then entered themselves at the fair in the "any other variety" category. "We got first place," Bates said. "They didn't know what to award us, so they made us a ribbon."

### Some mighty wealthy chimps

COPENHAGEN, Denmark - Six chimps have a great new reason to monkey around: They're filthy rich. An 83-year-old Danish woman who had no living relatives has bequeathed \$60,200 to the half-dozen chimpanzees at the Copenhagen Zoo. In her will, Elsebeth Christensen donated the money to the animal park with a specific requirement that the money benefit the zoo's chimps. "We will use it to make improvements and modernization of their cage," the zoo's financial manager said. Judge Christian Notlevsen read the will to the present occupants of the glass and concrete cage - Jimmy, Trunte, Fifi, Trine, Grinni and Gigi - after he had informed zoo officials. The apes watched the judge with curiosity, but they rapidly lost interest.

### Man escapes jail on day of release

FORDYCE, Ark. - If only inmate Sherman Lee Parks had known what was going on in a nearby judge's office, he might not be behind bars today. A Jefferson County judge had ordered the release of Parks and another man the same day the 50-year-old inmate escaped from jail, authorities said. "The judge ruled that since they had been locked up for nine months to let them out," Dallas County Sheriff Donny Ford said. Parks had served nine months for burglary. Parks, now wanted for an escape attempt, was re-arrested the next day, a sheriff's department dispatcher said. Parks is back in the Dallas County Jail.

### Fake bomb closes airport

WEST TISBURY, Mass. - A suspicious piece of luggage that led officials to evacuate Martha's Vineyard Airport contained a dummy bomb intended for security training. The fake bomb was flown from Nantucket on Monday for an airport security training session planned Tuesday by Cape Air, a regional air carrier, police said. However, someone left it sitting on the public luggage rack, where it remained unclaimed, police said. A state police bomb squad was called shortly after the luggage was discovered in the terminal area

about 6 p.m. Officers X-rayed it, then waited for more sophisticated equipment from the mainland. The airport was closed until about 2 a.m.

### Huge tumor removed from man's jaw

MIAMI - Dieuvius Morancy told doctors he had been living with the football-sized tumor protruding from his face for two, maybe three, years. No more. Doctors at the University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Hospital spent 10 1/2 hours removing the 18-inch tumor Tuesday from the 37-year-old Haitian peasant farmer. The benign tumor probably began growing 20 years ago and originated from the same cells that ordinarily form teeth, doctors said. But for unknown reasons, the tumor, called an ameloblastoma, began growing inside of Morancy's jaw instead. It caused Morancy's trachea to shift to the left, making it difficult for him to swallow and at times speak. Morancy came to the United States after meeting doctors from Atlanta visiting Haiti on a medical mission earlier this year. The doctors feared Morancy might die without treatment and arranged free medical visits and surgery.

### College accidentally admits 600 students

BOSTON - Northeastern University is scrambling to find housing and additional teachers for 600 extra freshmen unintentionally admitted after a computer glitch. The freshman class was supposed to be 2,800 this fall, but because of problems with a new computer system, more than 3,400 were admitted, school officials said Wednesday. "This is going to affect everything - the use of dining facilities, health center facilities, the workload for financial aid advisors," said senior Kerryann Driscoll, student government association president. Some freshmen will have to take on extra roommates, some will commute from home and some will be forced to hunt for apartments in an already tight rental market. Classrooms will be more crowded and department heads will have to work longer hours to hire and train instructors.

### Hospital makes promptness pledge

DEARBORN, Mich. - First pizza, now medical care: Oakwood Hospital's emergency room is guaranteeing 30-minute service. If customers don't see a doctor within that time, they will get an apology and free movie passes. The guarantee, which will be posted on two billboards and mailed to 60,000 Dearborn-area residents, is the hospital's response to long waits for emergency care. Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center is a full-service teaching hospital that has served Dearborn and surrounding communities for almost 50 years. Hospital officials said the new guarantee won't compromise quality. Those patients most urgently in need of care will still be seen immediately.

### Cheese craving foils burglar

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. - Aah! Behold the investigative power of cheese. A man was charged with burglarizing the home of a childhood friend after allegedly being linked to the crime by cheese wrappers left on a kitchen counter. Police said Anthony Lee Robinson, 21, took \$1,800 worth of property from a Fayetteville home. The victim had grown up with Robinson and identified him as a possible suspect after noticing cheese wrappers on his kitchen counter - an eating habit he linked to that of an old childhood friend. According to police, the victim had seen Robinson on Friday for the first time in three years. The burglary took place the next day.



# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Second death blamed on faulty water heater

A second person has died from carbon monoxide poisoning from a faulty water heater in a Crawford County home, a spokesman for the Allegheny County Coroner's Office said. Kelli J. Baldwin, 40, died Sunday afternoon in Allegheny General Hospital, North Side, where she was flown after being found unconscious Friday afternoon at the home she shared with John Lyda,

61, in West Mead Township, state police said. Lyda, the president of Lyda Brothers Heating Inc., was pronounced dead shortly after the couple was found by family members who became concerned because they failed to show for work. The deaths have been ruled accidental, coroner's officials said.

### 2 Fayette Co. men killed in accidents

Two Fayette County men have been killed

in recent days in motorcycle accidents. Richard Davidson, 41, of Uniontown, died Sunday night in UPMC Presbyterian hospital in Pittsburgh where he was flown after the motorcycle he was driving crashed into a wall in Uniontown, police said. Jesse Rutherford Jr., 29, also of Uniontown, died in the same hospital Thursday where he was flown after an accident Wednesday when the motorcycle he was driving struck a house along Route 51 in North Union Township.

## NATIONAL

### Bridgestone/Firestone, union reach deal

NASHVILLE - Bridgestone/Firestone and executives from the United Steelworkers of America reached a tentative agreement Monday on three-year contracts, averting a potential strike. The deal affects workers at nine U.S. plants, although union negotiators declined to discuss terms of the pact calling it "an agreement that will certainly meet all our members' needs." The unions still need to ratify the agreement. Bridgestone/Firestone officials are said to be "extremely pleased" that a deal has been reached.

### Worker killed at elementary school

BIDWELL, Ohio - A woman employee was shot to death at an elementary school Tuesday before students arrived after an apparent domestic dispute, authorities said. Classes were canceled after the shooting at Bidwell Porter Elementary School. No students were in the building at the time. The victim's name has not been released. Bidwell is in southeastern Ohio about 80 miles southeast of Columbus.

### Defenders may fight state's DNA decision

Public defenders in Vermont are considering asking the Supreme Court to overturn a controversial state court decision that permits police to take DNA samples from potential crime suspects without first obtaining a warrant. The decision, issued late Friday by the Vermont Supreme Court, marks the first time any state high court in America has ruled on the highly charged issue. The decision applies only to Vermont, but a Supreme Court case could set national rules for how and when police can seize DNA.

### Montana forests reopen to the public

HELENA, Mont. - Millions of acres of

forests and grasslands will reopen Tuesday because cool, rainy weather and increasing numbers of firefighters have helped lessen the danger posed by wildfires, officials said. The U.S. Forest Service said Monday it was lifting closures on all national forest land in the central, northwest and southwest areas of Montana - those hit hardest by this summer's wildfires. The reopening will make 16 million acres available to the public. There were some exceptions to the reopenings, and fire-danger restrictions such as limiting campfires and smoking to designated areas and restrictions on off-road vehicles remained in force.

### Philly teachers union says talks faltering

PHILADELPHIA - Negotiators for the school district and a teacher's union spent Labor Day at the bargaining table, trying to avert the city's first school strike since 1981. The school year is supposed to start Thursday for more than 200,000 Philadelphia students. But after a weekend of contract talks failed to reach an agreement, the Philadelphia Federation of Teachers scheduled a strike vote for Tuesday morning. Under state law, the union must give the district 48 hours' notice of a walkout. Teachers union president Ted Kirsch said Monday that negotiations were not progressing and that the executive board would recommend the teachers strike.

### Military connects with Generation Y via the Net

The armed forces are making an attempt to keep up with the times and attract younger soldiers. They realized that Generation Y is hooked on the Internet, with its instant access to information, and can't stand to be away from their computers for very long. Determined to win the hearts and minds of young Americans with little passion for the military life, the armed forces are rethinking the ways they find, train and keep troops with a little help from the Internet.

### Thieves steal goods used for charity

ONTARIO, Calif. - Firefighters raising money for the national muscular dystrophy telethon suffered a setback after thieves made off with a rented truck and \$7,000 in supplies used to collect donations. Off-duty Ontario firefighters had been asking mall customers for donations in conjunction with the nationally televised telethon. Change and cash were being stuffed into firefighters' boots and earmarked for a local chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Thieves stole the boots and the 15-foot truck full of banners from the parking lot outside the mall in Ontario, about 40 miles east of Los Angeles.

### Army battles West Nile virus

FREDERICK, Md. - The Army has a new foe: mosquitoes. Army scientists are looking into the mosquitoes that spread the deadly West Nile virus, which has killed seven people and sickened dozens more since first appearing in the USA last year. One of their biggest worries is the Aedes japonicus, a new-to-U.S. species that may carry the virus far from the New York City area, where all of the U.S. deaths have occurred.

### Two hospitalized after Napa quake

SAN FRANCISCO - Two people remained hospitalized Monday, one in critical condition, after being injured in an earthquake that struck northern California. The magnitude 5.2 tremor struck at 1:36 a.m. Sunday about 6 miles northwest of Napa near the small town of Yountville - an area that seismologists hadn't even mapped for faults. Officials estimated the quake caused \$5 million to \$15 million in damage. About 100 to 150 buildings had structural damage, including collapsed chimneys and broken windows.

### Best seat in Downtown



AP File Photo

Tony Gallucci sits atop his father Ralph's shoulders Monday as they march in the Labor Day Parade.

### 46,000 school buses may have brake problem

PORTLAND, Ore. - Thomas Built Buses, one of the country's largest school bus builders, is warning that 6,000 of its school buses may have defective brake systems and as many as 40,000 other buses may be affected nationwide. The defect involves the Bendix anti-lock brake system on buses manufactured between March 1998 and last month. Thomas Built buses affected are only a fraction of the 46,000 buses believed to have the potentially defective brake systems. When the affected buses are moving slowly, less than 20 miles per hour, they can temporarily lose their braking ability for up to three seconds.

### Safety issues loom for NASA

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. - Safety is the main concern as NASA gets set to boost its space shuttle flight rate in order to furnish and finish a space station that's more than two years behind schedule. In response to recent warnings about its dwindling workforce, NASA and its prime shuttle contractor, United Space Alliance, have hired a few hundred more people, including experienced veterans. The space agency also is modernizing the shuttle to make it safer. With Friday's launch of Atlantis, NASA plans a total of five shuttle flights this year, eight flights in 2001 and just about every year thereafter. "We're starting to embark on a set of activities that is probably as complex as anything that we've ever done in the space business, including landing on the moon," shuttle program manager Ron Dittmore says.

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## INTERNATIONAL

## Largest gathering of world leaders ever to convene

UNITED NATIONS - Kings, generals, presidents and prime ministers are assembling in New York with the lofty goal of turning the 21st century into an epoch free of war, poverty, ignorance and disease. But they are also using the U.N. Millennium Summit - the largest gathering of world leaders in history - as a soapbox for issues in their homelands. At least 91 demonstrations are planned during the gathering of more than 150 heads of state, which runs from Wednesday through Friday. At the summit's conclusion, world leaders are expected to adopt the so-called Millennium Declaration, which commits to eradicating poverty, promoting education and reversing the spread of

HIV/AIDS. Noting that more than 5 million people have lost their lives in wars during the last decade, the document says, "we will spare no effort to free our peoples from the scourge of war." A nine-page draft circulated Monday also vows to promote democracy and strengthen respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, "including the right to development" - a key demand by Third World countries.

While the overall declaration was being drafted, individual leaders were stating their own goals. Pakistan's military ruler Gen. Pervez Musharraf plans to highlight a simmering dispute with India over the Kashmir region.

South Korean President Kim Dae-jung will discuss thawing relations with North Korea. Vietnamese President Tran Duc Luong might use the summit to invite President Clinton to visit.

Cuba's Fidel Castro, one of 18 dignitaries deemed "high risk" and given extra police security, was expected to build on his career of battling U.S. influence.

All the world's problems are going to be thrown on the table for discussion.

New York police are confident the 41,000-strong department - the largest in the nation - can handle any situation, and there will not be a repeat of last November's World Trade Organization gathering in Seattle, where police were

overwhelmed by protesters.

There were peaceful protests Monday against Iranian President Mohammed Khatami, who spoke at the United Nations.

But four Iranians were arrested over the weekend for throwing yellow paint, police said. Yellow is "the color of dismay, the color of disapproval," according to the National Council of Resistance of Iran, which bills itself as Iran's parliament-in-exile.

There were also three separate bomb threats at the hotel where Khatami was staying, but the suspicious packages were found to be harmless, police said.

## International briefs

## Australia plane crash kills 8

SYDNEY, Australia - A pilot and seven passengers flying in a twin-propeller plane apparently lost consciousness and the craft traveled hundreds of miles on autopilot before running out of fuel and crashing Tuesday, killing all aboard. Investigators believe that the Beechcraft King Air 200 lost cabin pressure minutes after taking off from Perth in western Australia, causing those aboard to black out because of a lack of oxygen, aviation officials said. The Australian chartered flight traveled 1,760 miles over six hours along a fairly straight line before crashing near Mount Isa in northwest Australia, the Australian Maritime Safety Authority said.

## Officials: Typhoon kills 45 in China

SHANGHAI, China - Typhoon Maria killed at least 45 people and caused \$223 million in damage when it roared through two southern Chinese provinces, officials said Tuesday. In coastal Guangdong, Maria caused 21 deaths and damage totaling \$145 million when it struck Friday, said an official of the provincial weather bureau. In the neighboring inland province of Hunan, a landslide killed 24 people in the city of Chunzhou. Losses in Hunan totaled \$78 million, with Chunzhou and the city of Zhuzhou as the hardest-hit areas. The typhoon was the third and deadliest to lash China in less than two weeks.

## Fire-causing part from Continental plane

PARIS - French investigators said Monday a stray metal piece that gashed a tire of a supersonic Concorde in July, ultimately causing the plane to crash after a fire in the fuel tank, apparently came from a Continental Airlines plane. Investigators say that a Continental DC-10 took off from the same runway minutes before the doomed Concorde flight, which killed 113 people. The Continental plane had a missing part which appeared to be identical to the 16-inch metal piece found on the runway after the accident.

## Bishop detained in Chinese province

VATICAN CITY - A newly appointed auxiliary bishop in central China has been detained in the government's ongoing crackdown on the underground Roman Catholic Church, the Vatican news agency Fides said Monday. Fides said there has been no word of Monsignor Jiang Ming Yuan of Hebei

province since public security officials took him away Aug. 26. Witnesses confirmed his detention, Fides said. Two other clerics in Hebei, a bishop and an auxiliary bishop, have been missing since police took them away in 1996. China's communist leaders forbid worship in all but a state church set up in 1951 to break the Vatican's influence over the country's Catholics.

## Gulf Air pilot failed to slow plane

MANAMA, Bahrain - The pilot of a Gulf Air plane that crashed into the sea off Bahrain, killing all 143 people aboard, failed to slow down during his landing attempts or gain altitude afterward, despite warnings from his co-pilot and cockpit alarms that the plane was moving too fast, investigators said Monday. The actions described by investigators indicated the crew was having trouble controlling the plane and that it appeared to have accelerated rather than reduced speed after the warnings. Those problems could be attributed to the control systems, the crew's abilities or a combination of both, according to Jim Burnett, a U.S. aviation expert not involved in the probe.



AP File Photo  
Hostage Jeffrey Schilling

## Rebels want new negotiator for U.S. hostage

ZAMBOANGA, Philippines - Philippine officials said Monday they will not replace the chief negotiator attempting to gain release of U.S. hostage Jeffrey Schilling despite threats by Muslim rebels to boycott the talks. The Abu Sayyaf rebels rejected the government's selection of a provincial governor, after a suspected member of their group was arrested Monday. Schilling has been held for a week in a jungle camp in Sulu, 580 miles south of

Manila. He is under tight security, with his hands bound, because captors say he tried to escape. Schilling is reportedly on a hunger strike, but is drinking water.

## Firestone recalling 62,000 Venezuelan tires

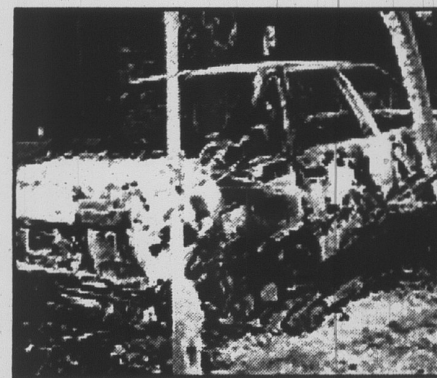
CARACAS, Venezuela - Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. announced Monday a formal recall of 62,000 Venezuelan-made tires alleged to have defects linked to at least 46 fatal accidents in the country. The company, which also announced a tentative contract agreement with workers in the U.S. Monday, agreed to issue the recall after meeting with Venezuela's consumer protection agency over the weekend. Ford has claimed that the separation in the Firestone tires is the "common factor" in all of the accidents.

## Khatami reaches out to Iranian expatriates

UNITED NATIONS - Iranian President Mohammad Khatami on Monday urged hundreds of Iranian expatriates living in the United States to embrace their native land and unite to forge a better future for Iran. With signs of a thaw in U.S.-Iranian relations, Khatami stressed the importance of dialogue and interaction among all Iranians and asked those inside and outside the country to use their energy to help Iran develop economically. The reformist president did not mention a bill submitted to the Iranian parliament Sunday that would grant amnesty to Iranians who fled the country because of anti-government activities or ties to outlawed political parties. However, his speech clearly signaled his support for an open door for expatriates.

## Russian planes bombard Chechnya

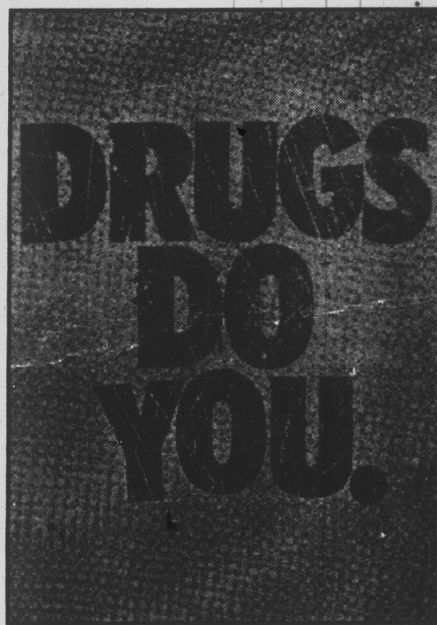
NAZARAN, Russia - Russian warplanes and artillery Monday pounded suspected rebel positions across Chechnya amid indications that the insurgents may launch large-scale attacks in the next few weeks, government officials said. Russian jets and helicopter gunships bombed and rocketed suspected targets in the south of the region, but there were no indications of rebel casualties. Military units across Chechnya were put on increased alert because of warnings that the guerrillas could mount major offensives during the first half of September.



AP File Photo  
Fighting in Burundi has left 60 dead

## At least 60 dead in Burundi attacks

BUJUMBURA, Burundi - At least 60 people have died in fighting between Hutu rebels and government soldiers in the week following the signing of a peace agreement to end Burundi's seven-year civil war, officials said. The violence continued Monday, when rebels ambushed two passenger buses, killing one person. Seven people were injured in the morning attack in the area near the Tanzanian border. Rebel activity has been on the increase in the past week in the area about 90 miles south of Bujumbura. The latest violence comes in the days after the country's Hutu rebels and four of its 10 Tutsi political parties refused to sign the peace agreement.





# SPORTS

## Titans ranked among top twenty-five in NCAA DIII

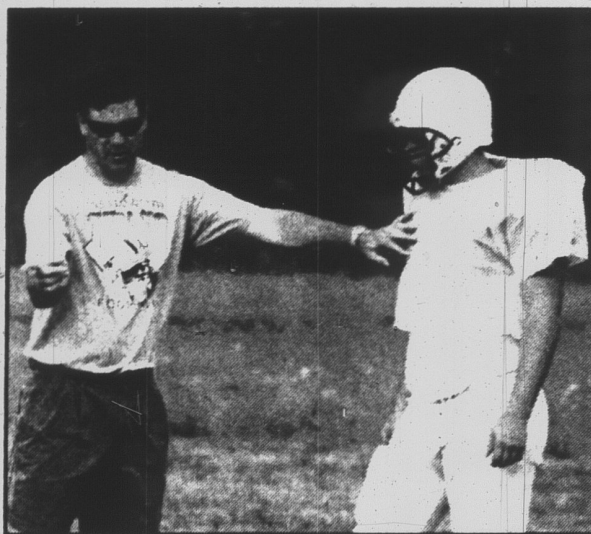


Photo by Courtney Behm

First year coach, Jerry Schmitt, instructs one of the Titans during pre-season practice.

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

A new coach, a new division, and new opponents are leading the Titan football team to a positive view of the 2000 season. The team begins their first season as members of the NCAA Division III Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC), under the direction of new head coach Jerry Schmitt. Schmitt, a 1982 Westminster alumnus who experienced great

success as offensive coordinator at Duquesne University, will lead the Titans in a nine-game schedule that features matchups with NCAA Division II teams West Liberty State and Gannon and NAIA powers Walsh and Geneva, including a full slate of PAC contests. Schmitt will have a full staff of veteran assistants to help continue the Titan Tradition. Scott Renninger, Sean Kelly, Bill Bestwick and Brad Tokar all return to the coaching staff on the offensive side of the ball, while Pat Cuba, Len Rich and John Klein are all back coaching on the defensive side. They will coach a squad that returns 32 letter winners and 16 starters from the 1999 team, with a great deal of experience on each side of the ball.

Leading the way on offense will be fifth-year quarterback James Graham, who enters his third season as the Titans' signalcaller. Graham set new Titan single-season marks in completions and passing yards in 1999, and is poised to become the top-ranked statistical passer in school history with a healthy season in 2000. A pair of top returnees in senior John Ciavarra and junior Joe Korcinsky will join him in the backfield.

The Titan offensive line returns several starters. Senior left tackle John Dunlap will

once again anchor the blind side, while junior tackle Philip Neel is also back. Junior

Justin Shearer and sophomore Brandon Apple, who both saw time as starters at center last season, each return this fall. Senior Brian Rigby returns at the tight end position.

The main area of overhaul on the offense is at the receiver positions. Gone are All-GLIAC honorees Matt Dvorsak and Dan Detwiler, who combined for 106 receptions and 1,329 receiving yards in 1999. First in line to replace the duo will be seniors Brian Lipiello, Joe Ruck and Derek Black, each of whom saw significant time in multi-receiver sets for the Titans last season.

On the other side of the ball, the Titan defensive line returns virtually intact from last season. Seniors Shane Jordan, Andy Soltes and Charles Szabo are all returning starters. A trio of sophomores who saw significant playing time as freshmen in 1999 also returns in Joe Bianco, Erick Pabis and Charles Kiger.

Another area filled with experience is the defensive secondary, where seniors Aaron Stamp, Joe Stamper and Adam Jones form an imposing trio of returning starters. Stamp and Jones were both All-GLIAC selections in 1999, with Jones also earning Daktronics All-Region honors. Stamp also led the GLIAC in interceptions with seven as a sophomore in 1998. Stamper posted 96 tackles in his first season as a starter in 1999, the most by any 2000 returnee. Sophomore Joe Stern should also see more time after a solid rookie campaign.

The linebacking corps will have a new look in 2000 following the graduation of inside backers R.J. Pabis and David Kern and outside backer Don Kelley. Leading the way this season will be senior outside linebacker Don Augustine, who split time as a starter with Kelley in 1999. Senior Ryan Sidorchuk and junior Cory Shaw will battle for the other outside linebacker position, while junior Eric Witt takes over the middle linebacker slot after starting at defensive tackle a year ago.

On special teams, junior Jon McCartney returns after handling both punting and place-kicking duties in 1999. Stamp and Jones each have extensive experience returning punts, while Ciavarra is ranked second all-time at Westminster in both kickoff returns and kick return yardage. Korcinsky and sophomore Joe Patoray also have experience returning kicks.

The football program received a preseason honor by being ranked 25th in the nation in the NCAA Division III Preseason Top 25 compiled by Lindy's College Football Annual. In the NCAA Division III preview, Lindy's wrote the following about the Titans, "In first year of Division III, will become a fixture." In addition to the #25 national ranking, the Titan football game at PAC opponent Washington & Jefferson College on Saturday, September 30 was listed as one of 12 "Big Games" for the 2000 football season.

## Lady soccer team out shot by Bloomsburg in opener

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Lady Titan soccer team was defeated in its 2000 season opener in Bloomsburg, Pa., as the Lady Titan kickers were topped by Bloomsburg University 4-1 in a non-conference contest.

Bloomsburg took control early with goals in the third minute and 21st minute for a 2-0 advantage. The Titans halved the lead to 2-1 in the 22nd minute on an unassisted goal by junior forward Ashley Pyle. However, Bloomsburg put the game out of reach in the second half, scoring insurance goals in the 63rd and 83rd minutes.

For the game, the Lady Titans were out shot 27-8, while both teams managed three corner kicks in the contest. Westminster junior goalkeeper Sarah Morrison went the distance in the net, making 18 saves.

The team then fell to 0-2 on the season last

Sunday in Lock Haven, Pa., as the Lady Titans were defeated by Lock Haven University 2-1. LHU is currently ranked #4 in the nation in NCAA Division II.

Lock Haven took a 1-0 lead with a goal in the 20th minute, only to see Westminster rally to tie the score 1-1 just before halftime. In the 42nd minute, Pyle took an assist from junior midfielder Laura Halford and scored to knot the score. It was Pyle's second goal in as many games this season and Halford's first assist of the year. The score remained tied until six minutes left to play, when LHU scored the game-winner.

Lock Haven out shot the Lady Titans 29-4 and held an 11-5 advantage in corner kicks in the contest. Westminster junior goalkeeper Sarah Morrison made 18 saves in the contest.

The Lady Titan booters will be at Gannon University on September 9 and will host West Virginia Tech on September 10 at 2 pm.

## Lady Titans improve to 3-2 after win against Allegheny

The Westminster Lady Titan volleyball team improved to 3-2 on the season Tuesday, as the Titans overcame a two-set deficit to defeat Allegheny College in Westminster's home opener. The Lady Titans won the non-conference match 12-15, 13-15, 15-5, 15-3, 15-11. The Titans dropped to 2-3 with the loss.

Junior outside hitter Shannon Simmons tallied team-high totals of 15 kills and 16 digs while sophomore outside hitter Monica Asher added 13 kills for the Lady Titans.

Sophomore setter Carolee Reed set up a team-high 40 assists while adding 14 digs.

Earlier in the week, the Titan opened the 2000 campaign by splitting a pair of matches on the first day of the Mount Union Invitational in Alliance, Ohio. The Titans opened the season with a 15-6, 12-15, 15-7, 15-7 win over Geneva College before bowing to Siena Heights College in three sets 15-8, 15-13, 16-14.

In the Geneva match, leading the way was sophomore outside hitter Monica Asher with a team-best 17 kills, followed by junior outside hitter Meredith Etcher and sophomore middle hitter Katie Spehar with 14 and 12 kills, respectively. Sophomore Carolee Reed set up 15 assists in the win, while senior outside hitter Andrea Cronie and Asher added 17 and 16 digs, respectively.

Asher again led the way in the loss to Siena Heights with team-high totals of 13 kills and 21 digs. Also posting top numbers for Westminster was sophomore middle hitter Suzanne Fitz with 10 kills, junior outside hitter Shannon Simmons with nine kills, and Etcher with seven kills. Reed set up 40 assists in the loss.

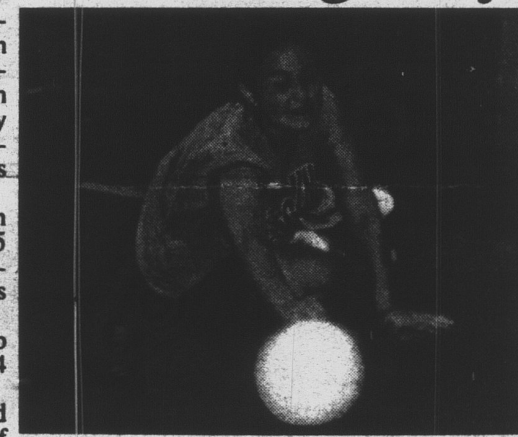


Photo by Courtney Behm

Sarah Yi attempts to dig a ball during practice.

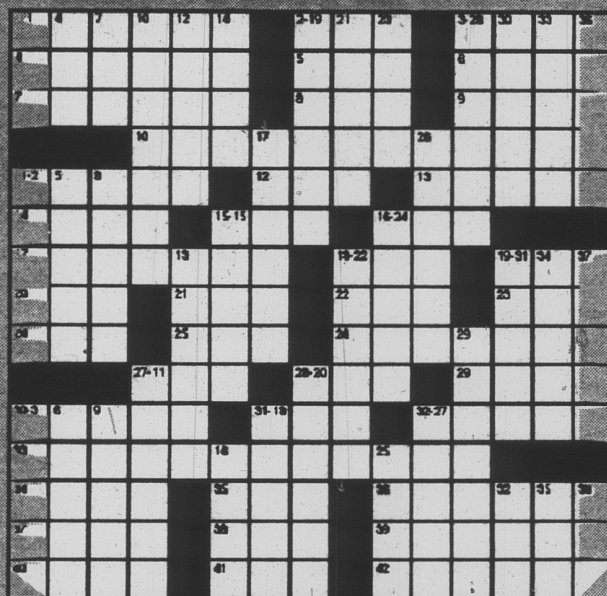
The Titans then closed the Invitational with a 15-0, 15-10, 16-14 win over Case Western Reserve University (CWRU) in pool play and a loss in the semifinals to host Purple Raiders 15-2, 15-6, 9-15, 15-9. At the conclusion of the tournament, senior defensive specialist Sarah Verhoff and junior outside hitter Meredith Etcher were each selected to the All-Tournament team.

Against CWRU, Etcher led the team with 10 kills. Sophomore middle hitter Katie Spehar added nine kills and a team-best seven solo blocks, while sophomore setter Carolee Reed added seven kills and a team-high 32 assists. In the tournament finale against Mount Union, sophomore middle hitter Suzanne Fitz posted a team-best 10 kills, with Asher adding nine and Engles five.

Check out Titan Sports at  
[www.westminster.edu/Athletics](http://www.westminster.edu/Athletics)



- Across**
- 1- Abstract
  - 2- Knock vigorously
  - 3- Thrust with a knife
  - 4- Decorative ivy
  - 5- Large flightless bird
  - 6- Porous limestone
  - 7- Language of Nepal
  - 8- Posed
  - 9- Soon
  - 10- Entreaty
  - 11- Nuisances
  - 12- Convent dweller
  - 13- Brushes
  - 14- Against
  - 15- Frozen water
  - 16- Perceive with the eyes
  - 17- Scruple
  - 18- Plant juice
  - 19- Cutting tool
  - 20- Snake-like fish
  - 21- Haunch
  - 22- Humble dwelling
  - 23- Very small
  - 24- Metal-bearing mineral
  - 25- Cereal grass
  - 26- Entrap
  - 27- Mire
  - 28- Jamaican popular music
  - 29- Parched
  - 30- At right angles to a ship's length
  - 31- Enemy
  - 32- British sailor
  - 33- Show of indifference
  - 34- Toward the mouth
  - 35- Sin
  - 36- Makes amends
  - 37- Allot
  - 38- Resinous deposit
  - 39- Tubular
  - 40- Capital of Yemen
  - 41- Alkali
  - 42- Each
- Down**
- 1- Son of Jacob
  - 2- Stroll
  - 3- Pueblo Indian village
  - 4- Wrath
  - 5- Go into
  - 6- Made a hole
  - 7- Breach
  - 8- Steps for scaling a fence
  - 9- Overjoy
  - 10- Flexible
  - 11- Infuriate
  - 12- Grain stores
  - 13- Monetary unit of Mauritania
  - 14- Hindmost part of an animal
  - 15- Greek epic poem
  - 16- Hades
  - 17- Ingest
  - 18- Quick raid
  - 19- Free from danger
  - 20- Origin
  - 21- Full speed
  - 22- Monetary unit of Israel
  - 23- Golf stroke
  - 24- Sweatbox
  - 25- Individual facts
  - 26- Experts
  - 27- Cessation
  - 28- Carved image
  - 29- Capital of Kenya
  - 30- Capital of Tunisia
  - 31- Body of honeybees
  - 32- Not
  - 33- Astir
  - 34- Lofty nest
  - 35- And so on
  - 36- Notice of an intended marriage
  - 37- Abounding in weeds
  - 38- Perceive with the eyes



Answers will  
appear next week.

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## HOROSCOPES

### ARIES

This week marks the beginning of your life as a wealthy person. Keep an eye out for spare change, and remember: a penny wrestled away from a small child is a penny earned.

### TAURUS

This week you may feel somewhat disillusioned and used. Turn off the t.v. and stop sending money to those televangelists. This first step could be the most important in your recovery.

### GEMINI

Avoid apricots at all costs this week. You'll know what that's all about soon enough.

### CANCER

Buy an expensive gift for your family. Besides just being a nice thing to do, they'll more likely than not overestimate its worth and reciprocate with something of much higher cash value.

### LEO

When venturing out of doors this week, be sure to carry an umbrella. Not only will you be protected from sudden rainstorms, but you're sure to impress that special guy or gal with your "take charge" attitude.

### VIRGO

Beware all even-numbered Tuesdays this month. If necessary, cower in your room eating Ramen noodles until Wednesday arrives.

### LIBRA

You will have an odd craving for cornbread all week long. Do not give in to this bizarre urge. Any weakness right now could lead to disaster.

### SCORPIO

Return to the wonder and mystery of your youth. Take the time to watch an episode of "The Gummy Bears" or meddle with a slap bracelet.

### SAGITTARIUS

True love is waiting just around the corner for you. Chase it down, or at least circle the block a few times to get a beat on which way it was headed.

### CAPRICORN

Reach into the left pocket of your jeans.

### AQUARIUS

This is your week to shine! All attention is on you for the next seven days. Use this opportunity to shamelessly promote personal political and social views.

### PISCES

Get up and do something of worth. Your productivity is at an all time high, so cut back on the number of daily soap operas, get out there and change the world! Hint: No one has devised a way to time travel YET.



# OPINION

## Rant and Rave

*"I like the new computers. They have DVD capability."*

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*"More campus activities are necessary."*

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*"It's quiet here and easy to contact professors."*

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*"I loved it when the cafeteria was buffet style. I mean, I should know how much food I want. The newer system just causes students to waste food."*

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*"Why can't the construction project be worked on during summer months instead of while class is in session? It poses a distraction for students"*

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*"I really hate it when I accidentally throw my ID in the garbage can in the TUB. When I go to fish it out, everyone stares at me and laughs like I'm some kind of weirdo. I mean, I just lost my ID...haven't you ever done it?"*

## OUR VIEW: Big Brother vs. Survivor

Beginning with "Who Wants to be a Millionaire," the country has seen a quest to get rich via competition. Over and over individuals subject themselves on TV to national opinion in hopes of winning even a portion of the prize. However, the most recent two shows, "Survivor" and "Big Brother" have attracted the most attention.

Based on George Orwell's book, 1984, "Big Brother" brings together ten people with \$500 thousand on the line. These individuals have been placed in a house with no contact to the outside world except for the always-watching cameras. Every Wednesday these "house guests" cast nominations for the two housemates they believe should be voted out. The two people with the most votes are then subject to the public opinion. For \$.99 people can call in and choose who is kicked out [there have already been four people voted out of the house]. But what's unique about "Big Brother" is though the house guests are competing against one another, they live happily and call themselves a family. This is the difference between the two shows.

"Survivor" was set on a remote tropical island with no other people besides the two teams that were brought to the island by boat. These teams competed against one another in daily challenges for an immunity doll so that their team would be exempt from Tribal Council, a place where each person casts one vote for the person they want voted off the island. The voting was held each day with one "cast away" forced to leave the island immediately. After a few weeks and many nomina-

tions, the teams were combined and the competition continued with individuals battling one another for the immunity necklace. The process went on until a jury of the last nine people to be cast off the island were brought together to decide on the fate of the last two people: Kelly and Richard. After hearing a brief statement from each person and questioning, the jury selected the person they wanted to win the money; Richard won by one vote.

What is interesting though, is that throughout "Survivor," the public was able to see conniving, backstabbing, and distrust building. By the end of the show, there were people that despised each other and two members, Sue and Kelly actually had a verbal confrontation that ended in Sue telling Kelly she wouldn't help her if she was suffering and dying.

It is interesting to note human traits and processes. In "Survivor," the teams had to earn everything they had. They had no heat, no shelter, no food; only what little they could swim to shore with. This group nominated off the more mild, timid, lovable people because they were "slowing the group down." In "Big Brother," however, where everything was given to them, the first two nominated out were the most disruptive to the "home" atmosphere (Jordan and William/Mega).

Does this mimic normal human behavior? Almost inevitably. It seems that when we are given everything, we have nothing to worry about but being happy. In fact, the experience of just "being in the house" stopped the last

six houseguests from taking \$50,000 and leaving the show three weeks short of the final episode. Why? Because to them, living in the house was a more valuable experience than the money. Translation: In "Survivor," the participants hated the island because it was not in the least bit comfortable. They would do just about anything for a piece of the prize and a ticket back to comfort. The participants though were in the mentality that "I came this far to leave now." It was physically, mentally and emotionally exhausting.

However, in "Big Brother," they have food, shelter, little extras and pleasant company. Though they don't have contact with the outside world, they still have each other to talk to and daily activities and chores to participate in. Their basic needs are fulfilled and the money has become somewhat unimportant. They say they are in it more for the experience now. They are in the mindset of "I came here with nothing, if I leave with nothing I at least want to learn as much as I can."

What a challenge it is to look at ourselves and see what mindsets we have about situations, people and lifestyles. One could almost predict a person's motivations, mentality and overall personality by which show they would want to go on. Whether they would enjoy the die-hard competition or would enjoy the personal relationship building.

One thing is for sure though, sitting watching the shows we place ourselves in these people's shoes and wonder what we would do and inevitably, would we survive?

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

**STAMPER &  
STALEY**

REVIEWS

The Cell

## Beth Staley

What scares you more: the mind of a serial killer or the person willing to enter that mind? Despite your answer, *The Cell* delivers the chill of both options, introducing serial killer Carl Rudolph Stargher (Vincent D'Onofrio) and child-psychologist Catherine Deane (Jennifer Lopez). Because Stargher has fallen into a coma following a violent seizure induced by his ongoing battle with Weyland Schizophrenia, FBI agents Peter Novak (Vince Vaughn) and Gordon Ramsey (Jake Weber) request Deane's help in finding the secret location of the cell containing Stargher's most recent victim. Deane accepts the risk-laden challenge of entering Stargher's mind via breakthrough neurological technology at Campbell Center, the research division of a pharmaceutical company. The quest to find this destination known as the cell intensifies as Novak and Ramsey learn that Stargher's victims have only forty hours before water completely fills the automated cell, killing each prisoner.

As the viewer, however, you only need about forty seconds before terror completely fills the theater. Although the movie opens mysteriously with Deane re-visiting the psyche of a young catatonic boy she regularly treats, the plot swiftly shifts to a polluted lake where investigators uncover the body of one of Stargher's victims mutilated by his sadistic post-mortem rituals. Interestingly, ex-Pink Power Ranger Catherine Sutherland assumes the role of this first victim - just one reason not to bring young children to this gory, rated-R psychological thriller.

The film successfully winds classic archetypal themes as Deane and eventually Novak explore the mind of Stargher. Stargher's alter ego, the King, acts as the evil presence enhanced by his own severely abusive childhood. Once Novak believes he has enough evidence to find the cell, he ends the experimental plunge into Stargher's demented mind, and continues his quest to save the young girl confined to the cell. Deane, however, who operates primarily by intuition and empathy sacrifices her position and health by reversing the mind-probing process so that Stargher can enter her mind. She believes that in her territory, she will have the control to suppress Stargher's alter ego and save him. Dressed as an angelic nun, she embodies the Archetypal Woman or Great Mother. Amidst this process, water imagery acts as a symbol of death and rebirth as well as the unconscious; Stargher's memory of his father trying to drown him during his baptism drives his psychotic behavior.

With the talents of visual effects supervisor Kevin Haug and special effects coordinator Clay Pinney, the movie ends as abstractly as it begins. The plot twists when Deane visits Stargher's home and keeps his dog. The ending begs the viewer to question Deane's loyal compassion for Stargher. Initially, her compassion for his victims convinces her to help Ramsey and Novak; ultimately,

though, her complete empathy for Stargher appears eerily overpowering. While Novak expresses some compassion for Stargher as a victim, he has no compassion for Stargher as a killer. Deane seems to empathize with him completely. However, is this because she has a better grasp of his psyche or because he has a better grasp of her psyche?

If you can handle the sight of a lot of blood and torture and you find psycho-serial-killer themes fascinating, see *The Cell*. I highly recommend it.

## Joseph Stamper

In this flick the FBI captures a demented serial killer, Carl Stargher (Vince D'Onofrio.) Before Stargher can reveal the location of his last victim, falls into a coma. The FBI has forty hours to locate the last the victim before she drowns in an automated cell. The FBI enlists the help of an experimental process designed to enter the mind of the comatose. Catherine Deane (Jennifer Lopez) is the pot-smoking caseworker that draws the task of convincing Stargher to reveal the location of his last victim before it's too late.

**Stamper's Four-Corner Break Down**  
(Out of 10, with 10 being the best)

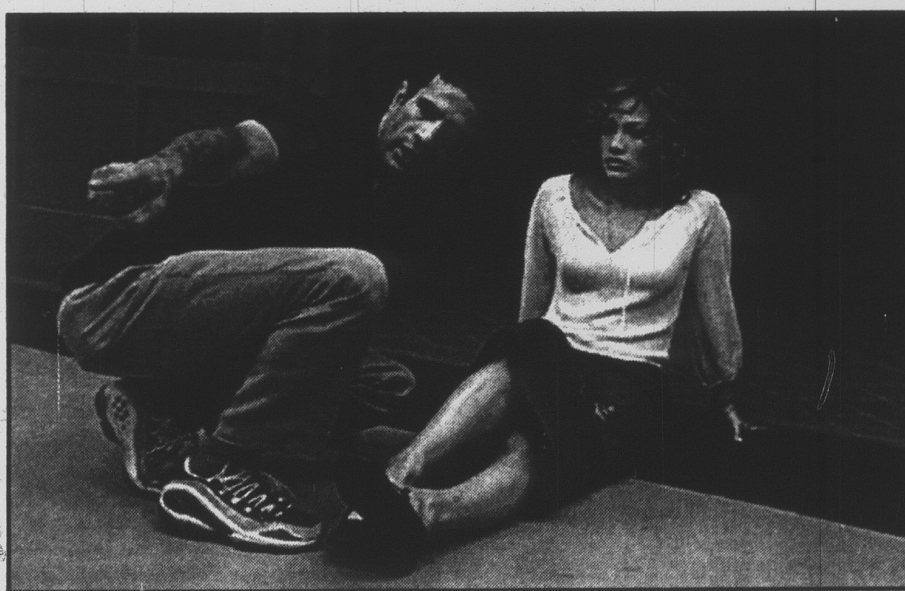
**Date Movie- 5** There's not much potential romance during this psychological thriller. *The Cell* does not offer the tension that causes couples to snuggle during a conventional scary movie. In fact, many parts may gross your significant other out.

**Special FX-9**

If there is any element that makes this flick fly it's the stunning dreamscapes in which much of the movie is set.

**Star Power-7**

Even though *The Cell* does not offer the big box office draws that we are use to, Lopez is proving herself a legitimate star. D'Onofrio proves he has all the right stuff to play the role a mad man. Vince Vaughn as FBI agent Peter Novak gives a fair performance. One glaring draw back is the lack of chemistry between Vaughn and Lopez.



Jennifer Lopez, Vincent D'Onofrio, Vince Vaughn, and Jake Weber star in *The Cell*

**Plot-8**

*The Cell* offers the edge of your seat suspense of a horror movie. Coupled with the uniqueness of the plot, the story works.

**Overall- Worth Seeing**

*The Cell* is ultimately worth the \$7. The elaborate visual effects hold the viewer's attention and make the viewer forget about the unrealistic technology and unlikely circumstances that are the backdrop of this film. Do not wait for the video. The special effects that make *The Cell* worth seeing on the big screen may lose some of their vigor on your 19" television.

## This year's Celebrity Series line-up full of variety

By Kendra McClymonds  
A&E EDITOR

As classes begin and we hit the books, entertainers visit Westminster and hit the stage. Although this year's Celebrity Series line-up features many performers whose limelight shined before our time, the upcoming talent is sure to please many Westminster community members of all ages.

The 2000-2001 Celebrity Series schedule unfolds at Orr Auditorium as follows:

September 23, 2000 @ 8pm - "An Evening with Melissa Manchester"

Melissa Manchester is a 1982 Grammy Award-Winning singer/songwriter. She also writes poetry, plays the piano, and acts in dramatic theatre.

October 26, 2000 @ 8pm - Paul Anka

Marking his 40th anniversary in show business, this oldies star is best known for his musical hits "Put Your Head on My Shoulder," "Calendar Girl," and the theme to

the Tonight Show starring Johnny Carson.

November 4, 2000 @ 8pm - "An Evening with Tony Orlando"

What about Dawn? For those who may not have heard of this 70s music sensation, Tony Orlando fronted the group originally known as "Tony Orlando and Dawn." Their most memorable Billboard hit, "Knock Three Times," hit number one in 1974.

December 12, 2000 @ 8pm - "Lee Greenwood: A Tennessee Christmas"

This country musician has performed for audiences far and wide, but he is best known for his patriotism and ballads geared toward American servicemen and women.

February 23, 2001 @ 8pm - Sandy Duncan

A Broadway star with credits ranging from *Carousel* to *Chicago*, she has also performed in concerts nationwide with Guy Stroman and her husband, Don Correia.

March 26, 2001 @ 8pm - Maureen McGovern & John Pizzarelli

Maureen McGovern's recording career began with her chart-topping single, "The Morning After." Her Broadway credits include leading roles in *The Pirates Of Penzance*, *Nine* and *The Threepenny Opera*. Pizzarelli's catalog of albums includes a touching collection of torch ballads, *After Hours* and *John Pizzarelli Meets The Beatles*.

April 19, 2001 @ 8pm - The Lettermen

This trio stole the spotlight during late 50s and early 60s with such classic love songs as "Can't Take My Eyes Off of You" and "I Think I'm Going Out of My Head."

April 24, 2001 @ 8pm - "Celebrity Series Special Show: Glenn Miller Orchestra"

Returning to Westminster, this tribute to the 1940s swing sensation graces our stage as a grande finale to the 2000-2001 Celebrity Series.

For more information concerning this year's Celebrity Series stay posted for in-depth articles in this publication or contact the Celebrity Series office at extension 7354.



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Melissa Manchester

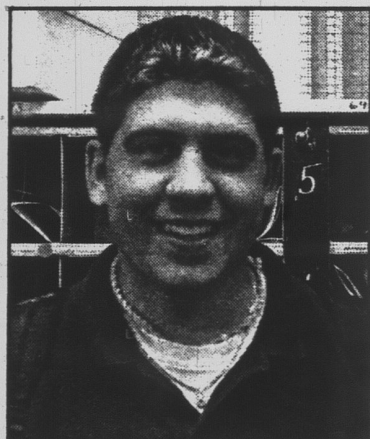


# FEATURE

## We are the people in your neighborhood

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE WRITER

As a new feature in the Holcad, each week I will be interviewing one student and one teacher from Westminster College. I will ask them both the same 5 questions (which will vary from week to week) and we can learn a little more about the students and teachers we see everyday. If you would like to be interviewed, please contact the Holcad office and we will arrange a meeting.



Name: Matthew Angelo Pournaras  
Born: January 13, 1981  
Hometown: Ambridge, PA  
Nickname: "Porn"  
Year at WC: Sophomore  
Major: El Ed  
Pet Peeve: People who "only smoke when they drink."

SB: What is your sign? Do you feel that has any impact on your lifestyle?

Porn: I'm a Capricorn. I like the interaction between my horoscope and my daily

life (I read it at the end of the day). But I don't believe all the hoopla.

SB: What was the last dream you had?

Porn: I was in gym class in elementary school and I pulled a lever I wasn't supposed to. My elementary school flooded and I swam all through my classes.

SB: If you could be any cartoon character, who would you be?

Porn: Winnie the Pooh. "Pooh" is a nickname from home. And he's cool.

SB: Are you allergic to anything? Anybody?

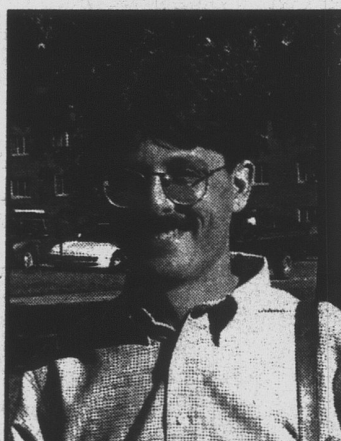
Porn: Cats, horses, and freshly cut grass.

SB: When you were little, what did you want to be when you grew

up? What are you now?

Porn: I wanted to be a Professional Baseball player. It's still a dream of mine, but now I want to be a guidance counselor/administrator.

Pournaras is now a sophomore Elementary Education major at Westminster College.



Name: Dr. David Swerdlow  
Hometown: Raised mostly in suburban D.C.

Nickname: n/a

Year at WC: In his 11th year

Department: English

Pet Peeve: When students write, "I think..." in papers.

SB: What is your sign? Do you feel that has any impact on your lifestyle?

Swerdlow: Capricorn. No impact.

SB: What was the last dream you had?

Swerdlow: I was on a train with knives coming through the

windows. I was protecting my children. It was in Europe and I have never been there.

SB: If you could be any cartoon character, who would you be?

Swerdlow: Linus [from Peanuts]. I think Linus doesn't shy away from the complexities of life.

SB: Are you allergic to anything? Anybody?

Swerdlow: No.

SB: When you were little, what did you want to be when you grew up? What are you now?

Swerdlow: An attorney.

Dr. Swerdlow is now a professor of English at Westminster College and a poet.

## Welcome Class of 2004

By Sarah Bozich  
FEATURE WRITER

So here you are, it's a peaceful day, beautiful trees, the sounds of construction-wait, yes, construction, unfamiliar faces at every turn, and you're down \$300 for books. You've already been studying this week, haven't you?

Well, welcome Class of 2004, or for some of you, 2005 (here at Westminster we fully embrace that optional fifth year). Let me teach you what I've learned. Pay attention, some of this could be valuable-the rest you may disregard like you did those handy "Safety and Security" handbooks.

Topic 1: Friendships. Make friends with other freshmen, not because they are scared and weak like you, but because in three years or less your older friends will abandon this glorious college lifestyle for a salary and a car-or at least tempting and public transportation-leaving you with several fewer friends. Building friendships with people your age can last indefinitely, so when you are old like me you can joke about those days in Fresh Start and those hook-ups you may wish never happened.

Topic 2: Food. First off, wings. Learn to love them. Every possible social function around here usually involves them. Plus, when you and all your friends start turning 21, you'll be at the Lube weekly for celebrations since it is the place where everyone is welcome, regardless of age. Not to mention, really, they're the best.

Secondly, eat in the cafeteria. It's really not so bad, despite some rumors. I promise you it has improved from years before. Watch particularly for theme nights. Sometimes they put white paper on all the tables and give you crayons. Other times there is Karaoke, plus you're given little toys and party favors. They treat us like we're twelve-it's great!

"Everyone goes to Pizza Joe's." While we're on the subject of food, can we all give a big round of applause to New Wilmington, please? And we thought ya didn't like us!

Topic 3: Participation. School functions, i.e., Volleyrock, Earth Day, SGA Bonfires, etc. GO! Why? Two words: FREE and STUFF. Get some of that hard-earned tuition money back in the form of an education and a Frisbee.

Finally, the classic advice: Be involved in something. There are zillions of things on campus to join and in which to participate. Besides the fact that most of it is enjoyable, come resumé time, you'll be glad you did.

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**PITTSBURGH FILM OFFICE** is looking for interns for this current semester; marketing, English, public relations, broadcast

communications, and business majors. This is an interesting, fun place to work. Call Rick Munroe at (412) 261-2744 for more information.

**PENN STATE COSMETOLOGY ACADEMY** in Hermitage across from K-Mart, is looking for an intern for the current semester. They want marketing, public relations or English students able to work with Word and Excel. For more info call Julie Kirila at (724) 347-5999.

**THE WOMEN'S CRISIS/RAPE CENTER** needs volunteers. Fall training classes

will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 6 p.m. This is a 12-week course, which meets Tuesday and Wed. evenings, covering dynamics of sexual assault and domestic violence. The Women's Shelter relies greatly on the support of volunteers. This would be a great Community Service opportunity.

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## Calendar of Events

### FRIDAY 8

SGA Senator Elections for First-Year Students  
Men's Cross Country @ Allegheny  
11:30 am - 1:00 pm WWNW-89FM Eighties Trivia - TUB  
11:40 am Chapel  
4:00 pm Volleyball @ Allegheny College Invitational  
7:30 and 10:30 pm Inquiry Movie: Good Will Hunting — Down Under

### SATURDAY 9

Cross Country @ Thiel  
9:00 am - 1:00 pm Career Center Senior Saturday  
9:00 am Volleyball @ Allegheny College Invitational  
10:00 am - 8:00 pm SAA Retreat  
11:00 am Women's Tennis vs. Gannon Scrimmage (H)  
1:00 pm Women's Soccer @ Gannon  
1:00 pm Football vs. Walsh (H)  
7:00 pm Mass  
9:00 pm CPC Presents: 80s Rock: Music in the Video Age - Down Under  
12:00 am Inquiry Movie: Good Will Hunting — Down Under

### SUNDAY 10

Kappa Delta Father-Daughter Day  
2:00 pm Women's Soccer vs. West Virginia Tech (H)  
6:00 pm Beta Beta Beta Welcome Back Picnic - Outdoor Lab  
6:00 pm Sigma Phi Epsilon Meeting - Sig Ep House  
6:00 pm Theta Chi Meeting - Theta Chi House  
7:00 pm Vespers  
9:00 pm Movie - Down Under

### MONDAY 11

Last Day to Add a Class (\$15 Fee)  
Phi Mu History Week  
Greek Philanthropy Week - TUB Grille  
11:40 am Chapel  
4:15 pm Continuing Education: First Class for Intermediate Yoga, Session A — Dance Studio, Old 77  
5:30 pm Continuing Education: First Class for Basic Keyboarding — PH 214  
5:45 pm Continuing Education: First Class for Beginning Yoga, Session A — Dance Studio, Old 77  
5:30 pm Panhel Meeting - TUB A/B  
6:00 pm Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112/113  
6:30 pm Kappa Delta Meeting - TUB A/B  
6:30 pm Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall

6:30 pm Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116  
7:00 pm Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311/312  
8:00 pm Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230

### TUESDAY 12

Deadline for Nominations for SGA Committees, Councils, and Boards Due in Student Affairs Office by 4:30 pm  
Residence Life House Council Elections  
Greek Philanthropy Week - TUB Grille  
Panhellenic Badge Day  
9:00 - 11:00 am Campus Club Coffee with Mrs. Williamson - President's Home  
4:00 pm Women's Tennis vs. Case Western Reserve (H)  
5:30 - 8:30 pm V.I.S.A. Volunteer Orientation - TUB Lounge  
6:00 pm Circle K Meeting — PH 231  
7:00 - 9:00 pm Career Center Alternate Senior Saturday - PH 112  
7:00 - 8:30 pm Campus Club Dessert with Mrs. Williamson - President's Home  
8:00 pm Alpha Phi Omega Rush Party - TUB A/B  
8:00 pm Foreign Film Festival: "The Harmonists" - Down Under

### WEDNESDAY 13

Greek Philanthropy Week - TUB Grille  
Installation of First-Year SGA Senators  
SGA Election for Committees, Councils, & Boards - TUB Grille  
11:30 am Faculty Forum — TUB A/B  
7:00 pm SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
7:30 pm Continuing Education: First Class for Conversational German, Intermediate Level IV — PH 112  
8:00 pm CPC Meeting - TUB A/B  
8:00 pm Alpha Phi Omega Rush Party - Location TBA  
8:30 pm SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
9:30 pm Seekers Meeting - Down Under

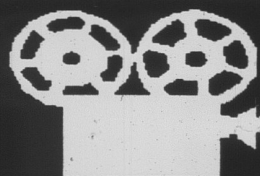
### THURSDAY 14

Greek Philanthropy Week - TUB Grille  
SGA Election for Committees, Councils, and Boards - TUB Grille  
11:00 am Support Staff Meeting - TUB A/B  
4:00 pm Women's Tennis vs. Bethany (H)  
4:30 pm Women's Soccer @ Thiel  
6:30 pm Westminster Fund Phonathon Training - Thompson House  
7:00 pm IFC Meeting - TUB A/B  
7:00 pm Black Student Union Meeting — PH 231

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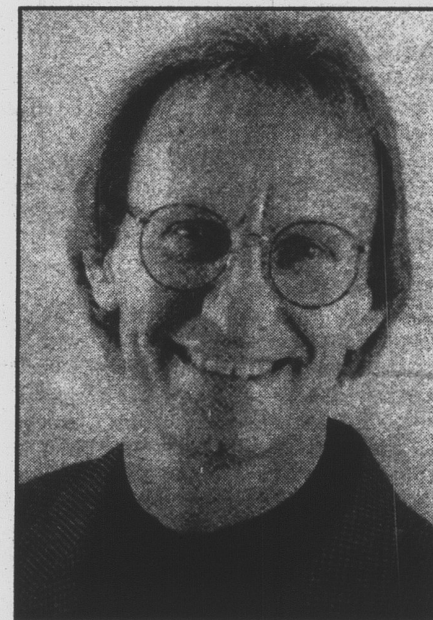
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## Parking expanded; space still limited for students



Students take advantage of the additional parking.

Photo by Aly Karg

By David C. Field  
STAFF WRITER

Campus security added 44 parking spaces along Westminster Drive below Hoyt and near Hillside and Jeffers in efforts to accommodate an influx of students with cars. Currently there are 1100 legal parking spaces on campus, and approximately 750 students bought parking permits this year.

Last year an estimated 2000 parking tickets were written for illegally parked vehicles or those without permits. Students can read parking regulations in the handbook and should be aware of new regulations. Those with parking permits placed anywhere other than the rear windshield or bumper will be fined \$5. Security will place boots on cars in repeated violation of the permit law. A third offense will result in the towing of the car at the owner's expense.

The college offers an appeal program for all tickets. All necessary forms can be found at the Student Affairs office. The appeal board is comprised of three randomly chosen col-

lege students.

"You get a parking ticket everywhere you park," said senior Jenn Body. Junior PJ Pearson said, "I lived in Eich last year and if you tried to find a spot, there was nothing at all. Parking is absolutely horrible at Westminster."

According to Dean of Safety and Security John Lechner, students complain about not finding parking spots because they all want to park in the same place.

"There are several other places to park, you just might have to walk," Lechner said. He suggests students "park your vehicles during the weekend and make this a pedestrian campus. Everything you need is within a five-minutes walk."

The Student Affairs and Security offices are currently projecting a five year plan to help curb parking problems. This plan includes paving the gravel lot by Phi Tau and there is also rumor of combining the Russell and Eichenhauer parking lots. The ultimate goal is to eventually have enough available parking that people will park for free.

## Kuntu Repertory presents African American history

By Robin Frost  
STAFF WRITER

The Kuntu Repertory Theatre presented *Keepers of the Dream* in Beechly Theater Sept. 6.

Managed by Mon Washington, the piece was performed by Teri Bridgett, Mayme Williams, and Karla Washington.

Using the works of African American women throughout history - including slave narratives, gospel hymns and songs - the group used an "audience participation" format to inform and educate. This was followed by a question/answer session.

"We intend to effect change through our message and performance," Bridgett said.

K. Washington said, "We use music as a way to focus on the hardships and struggles that African American women have faced."

The Kuntu Repertory Theatre, based out of the University of Pittsburgh, is the oldest Black Theatre Company in PA. "Kuntu" means "way" or "mode" in Bantu.

"They wanted to present African American history from a woman's perspective," said senior Jason Hunter. "They want people to understand where African American women are coming from. They use a combination of humor and music to keep the audience into the teaching."

The audience certainly seemed to have a positive reaction to the performance. Sophomore Amy Palmer called the audience-oriented production "amazingly fun and passionate."

"This has been one of our most receptive and responsive audiences," said K. Washington. "We got a lot of our energy from

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Photo by Courtney Behn

Kuntu Repertory Theatre gave the audience an idea of African American history through the perspective of women.

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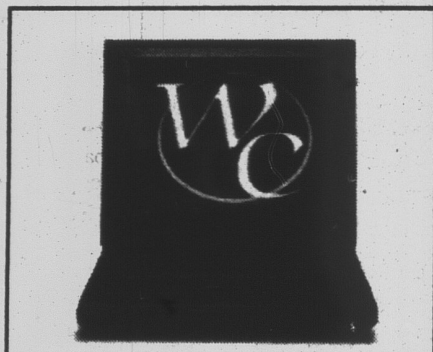
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# CAMPUS NEWS

## TitanNet issues self connection kit



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Quick and easy self connect allows students to save money.

By Jessica Vituccio  
STAFF WRITER

This year the computer help desk offered a seemingly simple solution to combat computer glitches and long waiting periods: connect your computer to TitanNet yourself.

This was the first year students were permitted to connect their own computers to the system. The bookstore sold the self connect kit for \$21.20, where IKON charged \$150 for a first time connection and \$75 for returning students.

Some students have been satisfied with this system while others are less than pleased.

Junior Jaime Harkins calls the self connect program "quick and easy" and recommends the program to all students. While sophomore Valerie Prevade feels the program "shouldn't have even been offered." Her computer had been out of commission for nearly five days, yet even after she paid someone to come and fix it, it still did not work properly.

Junior Eric Harvey, a help desk employee who has been fixing many student computers, feels that the self connection option was a good idea. He explains this year is a trial run for this CD and notes there are already plans to improve it for next year.

By offering such a discounted price compared to IKON, this self connection option is

just what college students have been hoping for. Students must remember that this time of year is extremely hectic for all help desk and computer assistance employees.

In addition to the new option of self connection, Westminister has completely updated all computer labs with Dell computers.

"Approximately every three years computers are replaced because the existing hardware is too old," explains Lynn Fox, micro-computer lab manager. These old machines are then given to faculty and staff for their offices, so the older computers are not wasted.

Fox said another computer lab, outfitted with 21 machines, is scheduled to open in Thompson Clark this spring term.

Westminister College continues to advance and revolutionize its computer abilities on campus. Each of these steps is intended to make computing easier for the students, and Westminister is coming closer and closer to that goal.

## SGA CORNER

By Alyssa Detore  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The Student Government Association held its first meeting Sept. 6 to elect new committee representatives and to discuss this year's agenda.

"This year is going to be all about fun," President Danyelle Muscarella said. "We have a lot of great stuff planned."

Muscarella, a senior, began the meeting by reviewing activities already conducted this year and discussing events planned to take place in the near future. One already successful project, "Singled Out," was held during Fresh Start. Freshmen were invited to participate in a simulation of the popular game show to win complimentary dinners. Westminister t-shirts designed by Muscarella were also given away, along with free ice cream for everyone who attended.

Some of the issues discussed at the meeting included the new Student Union Building, alternate class schedules, and new ways to handle end-of-semester faculty evaluations.

SGA has already planned numerous events for this year and more ideas are still on the drawing board. Student government t-shirts are being produced and there are plans for a game show open to the campus that would be similar to Regis Philbin's "Who Wants to be a Millionaire." Another promising idea is a performance or concert by a current and popular entertainer.

"We can't promise someone like Dave Matthews because it's just not in our budget," Muscarella said, "but we can ensure that the students will enjoy whoever we invite."

Delegates from SGA were also elected for twelve committees during the meeting. Sophomore Chris Nave was elected to the Curriculum Development Committee, senior Bryan Hooks to the Curriculum Operations Committee, Sophomore Andy Porter to the Institutional Research Review Committee, and senior Shawn Martina to the Planning, Budget, and Institutional Research Council.

Committees focusing on student life were also chosen. These included the Religious Life Council, headed by senior Collins Fobanjong, the Student Life and Athletic Council, headed by junior Ron Brown, the Student Publications Board, headed by sophomore Nicki Beaver, and senior Eric Bass's Judicial Board. Working on the College Appeals Board are Nave, juniors Lindsay Yankle, Ali McClymonds, and Jamie Freund and senior Marianne Davis.

Sophomores Erika Hink and Amanda Kengersky will lead the Enrollment Management Council, and the Institutional Resources Council, respectively, and senior Tara Crawford will lead the Equal Opportunity Board.

## Search continues for Dean of Chapel

By Garry Gates  
STAFF WRITER

Following Dean of the Chapel Wayne Nickerson's resignation last year, chapel assistant Keturah Laney and the chapel staff are assuming new responsibilities until a new chaplain is hired. Nickerson worked at Westminister for 18 years before moving to Colorado to get married in May. He currently works part-time as a campus pastor at the University of Northern Colorado in Fort Collins.

"Everybody that knows Wayne knows his love for Colorado," Laney said.

Originally from Mercer and a graduate of Gannon University, Laney came to Westminister in the fall of 1997 to get back into campus ministry. "I knew I was supposed to be here. It felt like the right place to be," she said.

Since Nickerson's departure from campus, things have been quite busy for the chapel staff. Laney, chapel staff, the chapel secretary,

and other volunteers have all been working together to ensure things run smoothly until the chaplain position is filled.

While Laney and the many student helpers she calls "the arms of campus ministry" have been busy, she emphasized that there is always time for students at the chapel. "Busy does not mean unavailable," she said.

Laney said that she is very pleased with the applicants that have expressed interest. "We are waiting to hire the right person. We know that God has someone ready for this position." Dr. Darwin Huey, who is the head of the chaplain selection committee, was out of town and unavailable for comment.

Sophomore business major Ben Robbins said that interaction with the students is the most important role of a chaplain, saying "the whole chapel office ran smoothly because of (Nickerson.) His are definitely hard shoes to fill."

"Any person who takes a job like chaplain must be very passionate about their work," said junior theatre major Kristen Kress. "They

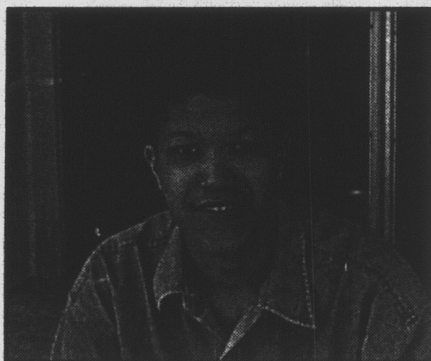


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Keturah Laney

must be approachable, caring, and easy to work with as well."

As the college continues the search for a new chaplain, Laney asks for "the student community to be prayerful. Feel free always to give feedback on what happens with the chapel."



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## U-WIRE

### Penn State women assaulted in coed Snyder Hall dorm rooms

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. — Thirteen women were assaulted while sleeping in their unlocked dorm rooms in Snyder Hall early Sunday morning, Pennsylvania State University Police Services said.

A male Penn State student, a former resident of Snyder Hall, has been identified as a suspect, police said. After a request of Residence Life staff Monday, the suspect moved out of the building, said Alison Cummings, assistant director for Residence Life.

"His presence was not conducive to the comfort of the involved students. We approached him on that, and he did leave and is not returning without our staff present," Cummings said.

But it is important that the suspect goes through due process before the case is discussed further, Cummings said. Neither Cummings nor police would discuss the specifics of the assaults.

"Residence Life is not making any judgment on guilt or innocence; that is a criminal issue and one for Judicial Affairs as well," she said.

Two students, who live in Snyder Hall and know the suspect, went to police last night to testify about the assaults.

Charges of indecent assault, aggravated

indecent assault and criminal trespass are pending, according to university police. Police expect the charges to be filed by tomorrow or Friday, investigating supervisor Stewart Neff said.

"We have no idea if there are more people out there who haven't come forth yet, if there is anyone, they should contact us immediately," Neff said.

Main entrances in all of the dorms are locked at 8 p.m. on weeknights and between 8 p.m. Friday and 7 a.m. Sunday on football weekends, but each resident is responsible for locking individual room doors.

Caitlin Cakouros (freshman-division of undergraduate studies), who lives in Snyder Hall, said students were told by Residence Life staff as soon as they moved in that they should keep their doors locked.

"It was standard at the first meeting," said Cakouros, who locks her door every night and does not feel threatened after the recent assaults.

Other female Snyder Hall residents, like Jen Edwards (freshman-computer engineering), echoed Cakouros' opinion.

"I'm not afraid; I think it is an isolated thing. I don't think one incident makes State College an unsafe place," Edwards said.

### Careerpath.com launches its "JobRush America" job fair

LOS ANGELES, — CareerPath.com, the Internet's largest career management Web site, continues to deliver the hottest jobs to college grads across the country with the launch of "JobRush America," its latest online job fair. Taking place from October 1 - October 21, 2000, JobRush America will showcase thousands of the most current jobs on the Web within industry specific pavilions, from hundreds of companies. Additionally, students can compete in the "Tech Challenge" in which "techies" vie for top honors, take part in the inaugural "Ex-President for Hire — Find Bill a Job" contest or participate in a diverse chat guest line-up.

"Now is the perfect time for recent college grads to take advantage of the exploding job market and thousands of the hottest companies looking for qualified candidates during JobRush America," said Stephen Ste. Marie, chief executive officer of CareerPath.com.

"With an abundance of new career opportunities and one of the largest databases of job listings, prospective professionals can effort-

lessly stake a path to their dream job."

While scouting out the perfect job in their region of choice, students can also participate in CareerPath.com's popular "Tech Challenge" which pits online job-seeking "techies" against one another in a test of skills and knowledge of tech categories such as Java, Unix, HTML, Windows NT and C++.

Winners of the "Tech Challenge" will be awarded a host of technology-related prizes. For those who are not quite so tech-oriented, the "Ex-President for Hire: Find Bill a Job" contest gives students a chance to place soon-to-be-former President Bill Clinton in the job they see best fits his qualifications and work history. Contestants can explore

CareerPath.com's extensive database of job listings to find Bill's perfect career match, and then submit a short essay explaining why the ex-President would be a sure hire. The writer of the winning essay will be awarded airfare and hotel accommodations for two to a destination of their choice in the continental United States.

### Biased questions on LSAT prohibiting minority students

HOUSTON — Law schools within the United States have been consistently admitting smaller percentages of minorities in comparison to white applicants with the same grade-point averages because of the alleged misuse of the Law School Admission Test, one study says.

"Students of color, primarily African-American students, have a significantly lower admission rate, even with affirmative action," said William Kidder, a researcher who conducted the study for Testing for the Public, an educational research organization in Berkeley, Calif.

Kidder's findings show the cumulative acceptance rate is 72 percent for Anglo-Americans, 46 percent for African-Americans, 61 percent for Chicanos, 60 percent for Hispanics, 69 percent for Asian-Americans and 62 percent for Native-Americans.

The LSAT or the "higher education poll tax" disadvantages minorities because it

excludes otherwise qualified minority students, Kidder said.

Students with diverse backgrounds are often penalized through flawed or biased questions, he said. On one particular test question, applicants were rewarded for assuming that women and minorities were less qualified, Kidder said.

Kidder argues that the method for removing the biased questions is a primary contributor because the test presumes overall fairness. This in turn leaves biased questions on the test unchanged.

"His argument is that the LSAT is unfair to minorities, but it's unfair to a lot of people. It only rewards school test-taking," said Michael Olivas, University of Houston law professor. "The problem's worse than he says. Now the region's passed a rule where we can't use race at all in the admission process. (UH) may overlook talented minorities," he said.

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# AROUND THE GLOBE

## NATIONAL BRIEFS

### Wen Ho Lee Hearing Scheduled

WASHINGTON - Wen Ho Lee's legal predicament is tangled in a federal law, making it nearly impossible to use classified information in court. The former Los Alamos weapons lab scientist, charged with 59 counts of mishandling nuclear secrets, remains in a New Mexico jail while prosecutors and defense lawyers try to hammer out the final details of a guilty plea. A hearing is scheduled for Wednesday in Albuquerque. Cases like Lee's involving government secrets are difficult, lawyers say, because much of the information related to the charges is classified. Defense lawyers typically can read secret documents only in a high-security room outfitted with video cameras-without being able to take the papers from the room or, in some cases, taking notes.

### Regulators to probe media content

WASHINGTON - One day after the entertainment industry came under criticism for targeting adult material to children, federal regulators said Tuesday they will take a close look at the amount of sex and violence beamed into living rooms by television networks. The examination will focus on whether broadcasters are promoting inappropriate programming when children are likely to be watching TV.

"We believe that broadcasters' obligation is not only to protect children from objectionable programming but also to offer positive and educational programming for children," wrote FCC Chairman William Kennard in a

letter to lawmakers. Kennard's announcement came during what has shaped up as a tough week for the people who produce and distribute movies, video games, pop music, and television shows.

### Ford, Bridgestone trade tire charges

WASHINGTON - The century-long relationship between Ford Motor Co. and Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. unraveled Tuesday, with the two companies trading pointed charges over which is more to blame for scores of fatal accidents involving Firestone tires and Ford Explorers. The Senate Commerce Committee hearing was the second trip to Capitol Hill in as many weeks for Ford CEO Jacques Nasser and Bridgestone/Firestone CEO Masatoshi Ono to discuss last month's recall of 6.5 million Firestone tires that can suffer blowouts and sudden loss of tread. Last week, two other congressional panels held hearings. Nasser said Bridgestone/Firestone withheld information regarding certain tires that could have led to a quicker recall, while the tire company's officials countered that the Explorer's design played a role in the accidents.

### Bush criticized over executions

AUSTIN, Texas - Gov. George W. Bush has been criticized for his hands-off approach to state executions, but state law leaves little room for governors to act in these life-and-death decisions.

Supporters say Bush, the Republican presidential nominee, allows the 18-member

Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles to do its job freely by maintaining an arm's-length relationship. Others contend that Bush does direct the board - through his public statements on executions and his power to appoint members to their six-year, \$80,000-per-year jobs. All current board members are Bush appointees. Bush has said he supports the death penalty and doesn't believe an innocent person has been executed in Texas during his administration.

### Maine family to host Gore

LEWISTON, Maine - It's not exactly the presidential suite. The small room's furnishings consist of a foldout couch. The decorations include posters of pop heartthrobs 'N Sync-10, to be exact, Beanie Babies and pictures of puppies and kittens. There also is a computer and a 13-inch TV. Don Jalbert's house, specifically his 12-year-old daughter's study, was chosen as the latest stop as Democratic nominee Al Gore continued his tradition of bedding down at the homes of teachers to learn more about education issues before the November presidential election. The family of four bought new bath towels and stocked up on Diet Coke but tried not to go overboard as they prepared for their Tuesday night guest, who turned down an offer of the parents' master bedroom in favor of Marissa's study.

### Mexico butterfly reserve is damaged

MEXICO CITY (AP) - When butterfly defender Homero Aridjis walked the mountains of the Monarch reserve in southern

Mexico in the 1970s, he found "a blanket of green." The last time he went, some tourists wore paper masks against dust rising from deforested land. A new study of aerial photographs taken over the last 29 years shows damage or destruction of 44% of the fir forest that serves as wintering grounds for the Monarch butterfly in its annual migration from the United States and Canada. "I think it's impacting the Monarch now," said Lincoln Brower, a zoologist and the foremost expert on the 3,000-mile migration that takes successive generations of butterflies back to the same wintering grounds each year. The cool shade of the forest - in which the Monarchs drape themselves by the millions like a spectacular orange-and-black carpet - is a necessary piece of their migratory puzzle.

### House passes ocean measure 390 to 8

WASHINGTON (AP) - With decades of research and billions of dollars spent on studying the heavens, it's time for Congress to start setting its sights much lower - into the oceans, that is. That's the message behind a House measure that passed 390 to 8 Tuesday. "We spend billions of dollars on the space program because it fascinates us as a people," said Rep. Jim Greenwood, R-Pa., the bill's sponsor.

"In comparison, we spend pennies on ocean research. But our survival is completely dependent on the survival of the oceans." Greenwood said the ocean floor should be searched for plants and animals with human lifesaving potential, saying cures for AIDS, cancer, diabetes and other diseases may be found in the ocean.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Strawberry gets 2 years house arrest

TAMPA, Fla. - Suspended Yankees star Darryl Strawberry was sentenced to two years' house arrest Tuesday after admitting he violated probation by driving under the influence of medication and by leaving the scene of an accident. Strawberry, who is fighting the spread of colon cancer, apologized during a brief hearing before Judge Florence Foster for causing a Monday morning traffic accident.

He said he blacked out from his medication while en route to a meeting with his probation officer. Foster was the judge who placed the eight-time All-Star on probation last year in a drug and solicitation case. Prosecutors requested house arrest, although Strawberry could have been sent to prison. House arrest means the 38-year-old outfielder

can leave home only to go to a doctor's office or for work. Should he attempt to rejoin a Major League Baseball team, he would need court permission.

### Flyers, LeClair fail to agree on contract

VOORHEES, N.J. (AP) - Talks between the Philadelphia Flyers and John LeClair have broken down, leaving the star left wing in position to become an unrestricted free agent after the season. LeClair said the team made "a tremendous offer," but "it wasn't what we were looking for."

The team did not comment Tuesday while LeClair said he doubted that talks would resume during the season. LeClair won the largest arbitration award in NHL history last month, getting a one-year deal for \$7 million.

He is one of the NHL's top goal-scorers and has been an All-Star since joining the Flyers in 1995. He has an NHL-high 235 goals over the past five seasons.

### Hansen sets pinch-hit home run mark

PHOENIX (AP) - Dave Hansen hit his seventh pinch-hit homer of the season Tuesday for the Los Angeles Dodgers against the Arizona Diamondbacks, breaking a 68-year-old major league record. Hansen's homer, his eighth of the season, broke Johnny Frederick's major league record for pinch-hit home runs in a single season. Frederick hit six pinch-hit home runs for the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1932. Hansen, who owns the Dodgers' franchise record for career pinch-hit homers with 11, is second on Los Angeles'

career pinch hit list with 89.

### Chinese official admits failed drug tests

SYDNEY, Australia - Nearly all of the 27 athletes China cut from its Olympic squad failed drug tests, a Chinese official confirmed for the first time Tuesday as the country's powerful team arrived in Sydney looking for at least 16 golds. Chinese officials previously had said some but not all of the dropped athletes - among them runners, swimmers, rowers, canoeists and competitors in field events - were injured, sick or performing poorly. But He Huixian, the Chinese Olympic Committee's spokeswoman, said that in fact "the overwhelming majority" had suspicious results in blood tests for the performance-enhancing drug EPO.

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## NATIONAL

## WVU captures FutureTruck competition

DETROIT — Detroit Diesel Corporation (DDC) is pleased to recognize the accomplishments of West Virginia University in winning the FutureTruck competition.

FutureTruck is a four-year competition that challenges student engineers to re-engineer full-size sport utility vehicles to meet the needs of the future - producing environmentally friendly, efficient transportation that maintains performance, utility, and affordability. To tackle this challenge, General Motors Corporation, the U.S. Department of Energy, and others teamed up with more than 200 of the best and brightest engineering students from 15 U.S. and Canadian universities.

The teams modified model-year 2000 Chevrolet Suburbans, using cutting-edge technologies, such as fuel cells and other advanced propulsion systems, space-age materials, and alternative fuels like biodiesel and ethanol (E-85). The overall winner was West Virginia's hybrid electric Suburban, utilizing a DDC automotive diesel engine as the prime power source.

Vehicles underwent extensive testing in more than 10 technical events. The overall winner was based on the number of points accumulated in events such as Greenhouse Gas Impact, Emissions, Handling, Performance, and various Design Events. West Virginia University also placed first in Lowest Greenhouse Gas Emissions.

## Real World cast to appear at college events

ANAHEIM, Calif. — MTV's *The Real World* cast members are appearing from September 16 to October 15 at seven events planned at Council Travel offices and college fairs in Philadelphia, San Diego, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Chicago, New York and Boston.

Individual cast members will sign autographs and discuss their real-life adventures on a Contiki Holidays' African safari. Contiki, the world's largest travel company for 18- to 35-year-olds, hosted the cast on a 10-day trek to Capetown, Victoria Falls, Chobe National Park in Botswana and Hwange National Park in Zimbabwe. Their adventures are highlighted in two 30-minute episodes of *The Real World*, which aired on August 29 and September 5.

For those who would like to trek in the steps of the cast, a 12-day, air-inclusive Contiki "Zambezi Discovery" package for two is the grand prize offering in the Council Travel Sweepstakes September 5 to October 15. Council Travel is America's leader in student travel with more than 70 offices in the United States. First prize in the contest is a trip for two to New Orleans, and 100 second-prize winners receive autographed copies of *The Real World* CD. Entry forms are available at Council travel offices nationwide and online at [www.counciltravel.com](http://www.counciltravel.com).

## BET Road Runner touring US, Canada

WASHINGTON—Black Entertainment Television's (BET), Road Runner is hitting the highway and heading to 37 Historically Black Colleges and Universities throughout the country. The Road Runner will be touring over 16 U.S. cities and Canada during its nine-week cross-country excursion that is now underway.

BET has partnered with the National Coalition on Black Civic Participation's Black Youth Vote and Education program and Rap The Vote with the aim of increasing voter registration among the African American

youth. BET has dubbed the registration drive "Cita Gets the Vote!" based on one of the network's most popular show hosts, Cita of Cita's World (formerly Jam Zone).

Black Civic Participation's Black Youth Vote has a goal of registering 10,000 students to vote in the 2000 Election during the BET Tour. Rap the Vote 2000, a joint project of 360HIPHOP.com and Rock the Vote, is calling for urban youth to speak out against injustice and vote under the anthem — "Register. Vote. Represent."

The campaign is to register more than

850,000 new young voters for the upcoming election. BET has taken this drive on the road with the intention of expanding its Black Star Power brand influence.

"BET recognizes the power of the vote. We want to double the 50 percent turnout of African Americans for the 1996 Presidential Election," said Kelli Richardson, BET's senior vice president, corporate marketing and communications. "Our aim is to reach college students throughout the country, registering at least four hundred students at each tour stop."

## WizeUp Digital Textbooks save students money

NEW YORK — Have you seen the prices of the textbooks at your local store? With WizeUp Digital Textbooks you can get your textbooks for \$10 to \$20 less than the cost of a used textbook. That brings your typical \$100 dollar textbook down to about \$30.

WizeUp Digital Textbooks, the world's leading developer and distributor of intelligent downloadable textbooks, digitally converted many of the "101" course level textbooks to create a less expensive learning experience.

Starting this semester, more than 75 digital college textbooks will be available at college campuses nationwide.

Test pilots last spring showed WizeUp Digital Textbooks were widely appreciated by students and professors. Seventy percent of students surveyed said WizeUp was more comfortable than using the printed book to study and prepare for class.

WizeUp's digital college textbooks enable students to enlarge text, to type notes directly onto the digital page, to highlight words, to

search for specific facts, and even to click through to other websites offering additional information related to the book's subject. They also include audio and video capabilities.

"Students do everything on laptops these days so I definitely think electronic books are a trend that's going to expand," said Dr. Steven Pinker, a Professor of Psychology at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who plans on using e-books next year.

## iVantage caters to needs of the college student

CHICAGO — iVantagebank is the nation's first banking solution, exclusively serving the needs of college students, a segment of the population previously underserved due to the cost structure of traditional banks. iVantage recognizes the power and advantage of the Internet to service the needs of students by tailoring account features to their financial habits.

Research shows that over 50 percent of college students access the Internet daily and are on-line 4 times more than the average population. Computers and online access are as standard a part of school supplies as textbooks. About one in five members of the college youth generation already bank online. This means college students will help drive the exploding growth in online banking which is expected to grow from 14 million today to 96 million in 2003. iVantagebank.com provides free core-banking services for a limited

time—a \$25 bonus to new customers. Since iVantagebank operates at a fraction of the cost of a brick and mortar bank, they are able to offer a free interest-bearing, no minimum balance, FDIC-insured checking account, a pre-approved Visa Check Card with 100 percent protection from fraud, free ATM transactions anywhere in the world and around-the-clock Web access. By developing services based on what students need in a financial institution, iVantagebank does not have to charge customer fees for basic services because there are no higher-cost ancillary products.

Distinctive trademarked services include Parent Connect(TM) — a way for parents to transfer money from their account to their child's, in-house Customer Care Center available by phone and e-mail, iVantagebank is like having access to a personal banker at any time.

Co-founders Charles Glick and Ben Rose

have over three decades of combined experience in banking, financial services and software experience. Charles Glick explains, "the mobility of the student market requires the specialized attention of an Internet based account. Students tend to regularly move due to changing apartments or dorm rooms, spending the semester abroad or working at a summer internship, so iVantagebank.com will always be accessible to them anywhere at anytime."

"The student market has been underserved," said CEO Ben Rose. "Our focus and attention will result in leading-edge delivery of services for students."

Over time, iVantage will add services that recognize students' broader financial needs as they launch careers and expand relationships with financial service providers.

## UConnections.com releases interactive website to bring daily tasks for students to their fingertips

NEW YORK — UConnections.com, a leading Internet provider of e-commerce and information for the college market, announced today the release of its re-designed website incorporating feedback received from students across the country. The new site has been built on a more robust technical infrastructure, has an updated 'look and feel', includes additional content and services, and provides students with easier navigation online.

UConnections launched its original site in November 1999. The company experienced explosive growth last semester based on surging interest from students and the addition of

a strong management team. An aggressive expansion plan is currently being implemented, adding significant strength to UConnections' local presence at colleges and universities across the country.

UConnections connects students to their local campus community. The site brings the things students do around campus on a daily basis - including eating, shopping, and socializing - online, to make their lives easier.

"We are excited to offer students a new version of the site as we welcome them back to school for the fall semester," said Ronald Stein, CEO of UConnections.com. "Our combination of an updated online presence,

and offline, campus-based student teams, offers the best model to connect students and merchants. We believe this will make UConnections students' most valuable campus resource, right at their fingertips."

The bold movements of UConnections are catching the public eye. UConnections will be part of a special report for the ".com" series, airing on CNBC, Saturday September 16th at Noon Eastern Time. Other upcoming features include a CEO Interview in the September issue of Wall Street Reporter, and an article in the October issue of Entrepreneur Magazine covering UConnections' emergence as a leader in the college market.



## INTERNATIONAL

### Norway proves to be no match for US

MELBOURNE, Australia - The U.S. women's soccer team, led by one-woman show Tiffeny Milbrett, beat Norway 2-0 on Thursday in their first game of the Sydney Olympics. The game was supposed to be the USA's toughest of the tournament, against an opponent that this year had won three of six games and tied another against the U.S. women.

Instead, the USA turned it into a romp, scoring its two goals in the first 25 minutes of the game and teasing the Melbourne Cricket Ground crowd of about 10,000 with oh-so-close chances through the rest of the game.

Most of those came from Milbrett, a 27-year-old forward from Portland, Ore. Milbrett not only scored the first goal of the game (the other came from forward Mia Hamm), she nearly had three more, striking both goalposts

and the crossbar with shots.

"I don't think if I tried that in practice I could (do it)," Milbrett said.

The U.S. women certainly could not have predicted they would be able to begin defense of their 1996 Olympic gold medal with such a dominating attack.

"I said to them after the game that was the best performance against the best opponent in the first round of any major tournament - and it was the best result," U.S. coach April Heinrichs said.

The USA's next game comes Sunday against China, the team the USA beat in last year's World Cup final.

"We're going to find ways to dig deeper and deeper so (Thursday's game) wasn't just our best performance but a start for things ahead," Heinrichs said.



AP File Photo

US women's soccer defeated Norway, 2-0, in opening of Olympic games.

### International briefs

#### Kursk remains to be recovered in October

MOSCOW - Divers will begin recovering the bodies of the crew of the sunken nuclear submarine Kursk in early October, Russian officials said Tuesday. Russian and Norwegian divers will cut holes in the ship's hull to reach the remains of the 118 crew members. Russian officials also said there was no threat from the sub's nuclear reactors, which they say cannot harm the environment. The accident initially provoked fears that Kursk's power plant was damaged and would leak radiation. The submarine itself will be raised in early 2001.

#### Germany targets dialing and driving

BERLIN - The land of the lifetime driver's license and the light-speed Autobahn is about to put a new demand on its motorists: both hands on the wheel. In what could help spur a similar trend in the USA, the German government has drafted, with final approval expected this fall, a nationwide law requiring hands-free devices for motorists who use telephones while driving.

#### Mexico's drug trade taking down its citizens

TIJUANA, Mexico - Mexicans, whose country is a key juncture in the contraband pipeline that stretches from Colombia to Canada, increasingly are succumbing to drug abuse, victims of their own illicit trade. Nowhere is the narco-culture more evident than in Tijuana, a world-class "Sin City" since the days of Prohibition when Hollywood society came here for its fix of liquor, prostitutes and bullfights. Today, Tijuana is a stronghold of Latin American drug lords who move mountains of cocaine, heroin and marijuana into the USA. It's also the center of drug consumption in Mexico. In Tijuana, government pollsters recently registered a five-fold increase in drug use compared with a decade earlier.

#### Mexico City police fight among themselves

MEXICO CITY - Mexico City police-

men demanding the resignation of their commander stormed the force's headquarters Monday, battling fellow officers with batons in a protest that left six officers injured. Television footage showed members of the city's blue-uniformed auxiliary police force, who guard businesses and stores, hitting fellow auxiliary officers with batons and poles. Several officers suffered bloody head wounds. The protests blocked traffic along some of the city's main streets.

Officers have complained that their commanders are corrupt and their gear and benefits are inadequate.

#### Bridgestone president defends tires

TOKYO - The president of Bridgestone Corp. suggested Monday that fatal accidents blamed on tires produced by the company's U.S. subsidiary weren't caused by defects. While stopping short of blaming Ford, Yoichiro Kaizaki said it struck him that there was a high accident rate only for Ford Explorers fitted with the Bridgestone/Firestone tires and not for other carmakers' vehicles that used the same products. He said that no structural deficiencies have been found in the tires themselves. When asked if he thought Ford might be responsible, he replied: "I can't answer that." On Aug. 9, Bridgestone announced a 6.5-million tire recall of the P235/75R15 size ATX and ATX II models as well as Wilderness AT tires in the same size.

#### Hong Kong gives democracy little voice

HONG KONG - Though democracy advocates won most of the seats in the Hong Kong legislature that are chosen by voters, pro-Beijing lawmakers will still dominate. Voters got to pick 24 members of the Legislative Council on Sunday, giving 15 of those seats to pro-democracy candidates, according to Monday's vote count. But special interests whose votes count far more than those of ordinary citizens got to pick 30 candidates and a powerful committee chose six more, with most tilting toward Beijing or big business.

#### Police tentatively identify 58 migrants

BEIJING - British police have tentatively identified all 58 Chinese migrants found dead in a truck at an English Channel port and are seeking identifications using DNA tests, a British investigator said Monday. The samples, taken from family members of possible victims, were turned over last week to a three-member British police team that visited the southeastern Chinese province of Fujian. Two Chinese have been arrested in Britain on migrant smuggling charges, and the truck's Dutch driver has been charged with manslaughter. Thousands of migrants every year pay up to \$60,000 for a chance to work in a foreign restaurant or factory, enduring harsh travel crowded into trucks or ships.

#### Freed hostages say women were raped

TRIPOLI, Libya - One of the four hostages released by Muslim rebels in the Philippines Monday said captors raped some of the female hostages. A Finnish man stated "a few of the women were treated in an inappropriate manner" by the Abu Sayyef rebel group, which is fighting for independence in the southern part of the Philippines. Upon the hostages' release, rebels claim Libyan officials paid them \$1 million. Libya is denying they paid a ransom, but hostages claimed to see sudden signs of wealth in the camp, with their captors wearing new clothes and gold jewelry.

#### Swiss charity's worker accused of killing 3

LUCERNE, Switzerland - A Swiss charity said Monday that one of its local workers in Kosovo is accused of killing three people in a row over construction supplies being used to rebuild a village. Caritas Switzerland said it has temporarily suspended its operations in Loznica, a village near the provincial capital Pristina, after the representative, who wasn't identified, allegedly shot a father and two sons Friday. The representative, whose job was to assign building supplies to villagers, was arrested.

### Thorpe swims in Olympics

SYDNEY - Ken and Margaret's little boy is about to splash into your living room.

Wait. Come to think of it, he's not that little anymore. Not with a 75-inch wingspan and size 17 feet. Shoulders broad enough to carry an entire nation's expectations.

The Australians plan on their own swimming superstar to lead these Olympics. He's 17 years old, and all they want here is gold medals by the fistful. Ian Thorpe. The Thorpedo. Maybe, the experts suggest, the best freestyler ever seen.

Thorpe's father is a retired foreman for a parks department. His mother is an elementary school teacher. A Sydney couple through and through, keeping house in the suburbs, raising a son and a daughter. No reason for the world to notice them.

Except for now. Australia looks at their son and sees a champion to humble the Yanks and bathe the home country in glory.

She looks at him and sees the baby who checked in at 9 pounds and 22 inches. The little boy who wouldn't eat seafood and was too gangly to be good at soccer and cricket.

"He was bored sick of being dragged to his sister's swimming (meets)," she said. "He figured if he had to sit there for six hours, he might as well get into the pool. He was very much an awkward little boy on land. When he went into the water, it was a different story."

Now look at him. A world champion at 15. Two world records. Ian Thorpe has the five fastest 200-meter freestyles that have ever been swum.

He is to lead the expected Aussie pool party. The Americans, their dominance threatened, have other plans. Damn the Thorpedo, full speed ahead.

Margaret? She still sees the kid who had an allergic reaction to chlorine when he first tried swimming. The son who, with his older sister, Christina, kept the family on the road for years getting to meets.

The newspapers, the television, all they predict is a golden rampage for Ian Thorpe.

"He always says he takes it as encouragement," Margaret said. "But I wish they wouldn't keep saying he was going to win."



# FEATURE

## We are the people in your neighborhood

This week featuring: Renee Marie Mele and The Mail-Ladies

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR

I did all three of these interviews at once and it was very interesting. I wish I could have tape-recorded it and been able to record every little comment these three ladies went through while trying to make their final answers to the questions.

**Name:** Debra Sue White  
**Hometown:** Hubbard, OH "Home of the Fighting Eagles"  
**Nickname:** "Fergie" from White's maiden name, Ferguson  
**Department:** Mailroom  
**Pet Peeve:** "People not giving second chances. Not being forgiving."

**Name:** Kim Marlene Sharp  
**Hometown:** New Wilmington, PA "Home of the Greyhounds." Who let the dogs out?  
**Nickname:** Kimmy, and Kip  
**Department:** Mailroom  
**Pet Peeve:** "People that don't speak with a smile."

**Name:** Renee Marie Mele  
**Hometown:** New Castle, PA  
**Nickname:** Nay-Nay (given to her by Jami Sue White)  
**Major:** Psychology  
**Pet Peeve:** "People that don't make eye contact when they talk to you."



Renee Marie Mele



Photo by Sara Bozich

The Mail-Ladies, Debra White and Kim Sharp

**SB:** If you could date any superhero, who would it be?  
**White:** I married my superhero.  
**Sharp:** Tarzan.  
**Mele:** Superman.

**SB:** What do you feel is your greatest talent?  
**White:** Getting people to open up and talk.  
**Sharp:** Drinking beer (however, NOT on the job).  
**Mele:** Being a good friend.

**SB:** Would you rather be a contestant on *Jeopardy!* or *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?*

**White:** *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire* because I love Notre Dame and so does Regis and I love his wardrobe-I would like to be the next Kathy Lee.

**Sharp:** *Jeopardy!*  
**Mele:** *Jeopardy!* -because I think I'd have a better shot there.

**SB:** If you were a bus, would you require exact change?  
**White and Sharp:** Yes-because you should be prepared.

**Mele:** No, because I'd want to let anyone on. But if you don't have the change, I'm keeping it.

**SB:** What would you splurge on?

**White:** A vacation. I would really like to go somewhere exotic-not even exotic-I would just like to travel.

**Sharp:** A mansion.

**Mele:** A spa vacation. That would be nice.

## Dorms -vs- Apts.

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR

I am slowly beginning to discover the glories of off-campus living. First of all, I was extremely lucky to even be able to live off-campus. As you all know, we either have to have a doctor's note or win the off-campus lottery. Well, lucky little me drew first out of all the girls and drew number 1. I thought this was just great. I had honestly imagined living in Galbreath for the fourth year in a row. I only went to the lottery to give it a shot - I'm not usually such a lucky person.

After legally obtaining off-campus housing, the next search was for an apartment, which initially didn't go as easily as expected. Eventually it all fell together and I am lease-signed and living large.

Right. So I just blew \$70 at Giant Eagle. Now, last year \$50 might be normal but that also may have included a carton of cigarettes (bad habits die hard) and the frequency of my trips there would have been much smaller. Now all of a sudden I'm buying cleaning supplies of all things, toilet paper? Sure, it feels nicer, but the potential to run out is much greater AND I have to change it.

I have dishes to do! Food to cook! Now, there are many great things about living off-campus, which is, of course, why we all want to do it so badly. For instance, both my roommate and I are of legal drinking age so beer is now legal and fully stocked in our refrigerator. My boyfriend can visit any day of the week and SHOWER legally. I also took my George Forman Grill out of its box for the first time and uncovered its quick-cooking, low-fat talents.

But, besides re-discovering chores I haven't done since high school, there are aspects to dorm life I miss. For example, my new room overlooks the main intersection in town - you'd be amazed at how noisy that is. My old room overlooked the Quad - beautiful in fall and spring - and always a lookout as to on goings on campus.

I used to be able to go downstairs to brunch on weekends in my pajamas. Sure, now I can cook in my underwear if I want - but I have to COOK! I also missed out on the free stuff box, and I'm surely going through voice mail withdrawal. Laundry is a huge kicker as well. First of all I have to walk there, and secondly it costs MONEY! I also may be one of the few people living off-campus without a car. It's not so bad now; I actually enjoy my walks to campus, while last year I dreaded walking into town. But come winter, I'll be miserable.

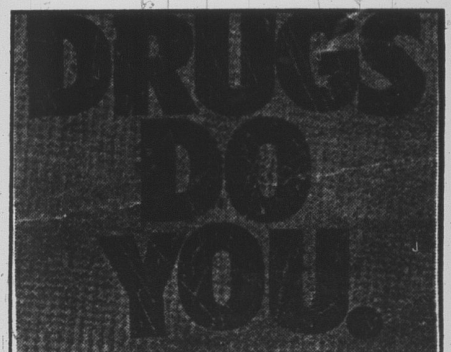
I am sure that I am happier off-campus for it will make me more responsible and it grants me freedom, but I certainly miss some of the conveniences dorm life gave me. Perhaps with time my realm of cooking will surpass that of Hamburger Helper and quick spaghetti, but I don't think laundry will ever be free again.

# See yourself in The Holcad

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# SPORTS

## Titans victorious over Walsh in season home opener

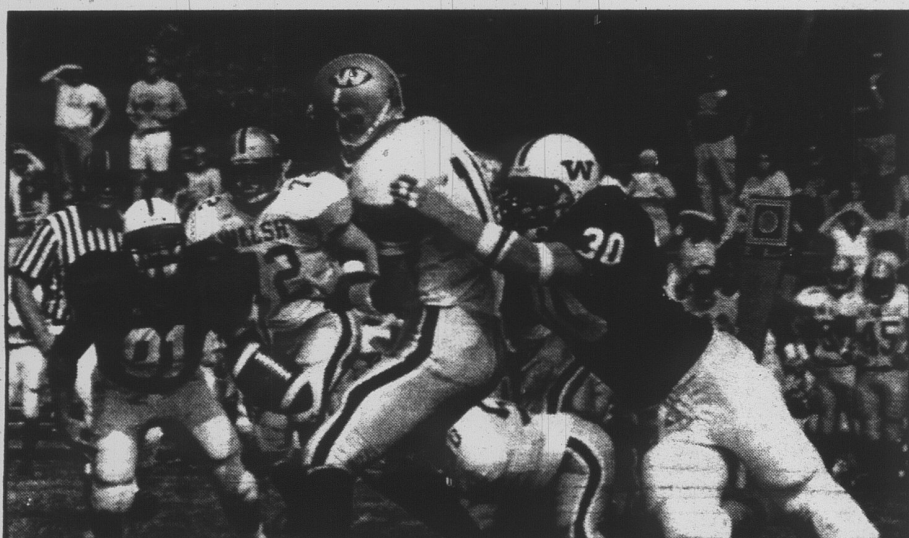


Photo by Courtney Behm

Experience paid off for the Titans as they defeated Walsh.

By B. J. Mathieu  
STAFF WRITER

Feeding on the motivation and intensity from last season, the Titan football squad has a positive outlook for the 2000 season. Head coach Jerry Schmitt said, "We have an experienced team coming back. We have a good coaching staff who has been preparing the team."

Schmitt believes the team can do well this year with a great depth of experience on both sides of the ball. Captains this year are tailback John Ciavarra, defensive end Shane Jordan and outside linebacker Don Augustine. Fifth-year senior quarterback James Graham is starting for his third year. Running back John Ciavarra is experienced in his duties of carrying the ball.

The Titans opened their season with a 27-14 win on Sept. 9 over Walsh University.

Walsh scored first on the first drive of the game, but Westminster answered back in the second quarter behind a Ciavarra touchdown. Late in the first half, the Titans scored again on a run by Eric Witt to take the lead, 14-7, into halftime.

The Titans scored in the third quarter but missed the extra point, making it a 20-7 game. Westminster boosted the score to 27-7 on the first play of the fourth quarter on a run by Graham. Walsh then scored on a pass two minutes later to make the score 27-14, but that was too little too late.

Along with the victory, Graham made the record books by becoming only the third player in Westminster history to pass for more than 4,000 yards. The defense played well, holding Walsh to 14 points and pushing them into negative rushing yards.

The Titans take on Geneva at Burry Stadium Saturday, Sept. 16.

## New field brings good luck as men's soccer defeats LaRoche

By John Hanlon  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan men's soccer team christened their new field Sept. 6 with a 3-1 win over LaRoche.

Early in the game freshman striker Matt Roser took a pass from sophomore Pasquale Reino, split two defenders, and burned the keeper for his first collegiate goal. "Roser is just one of five exciting freshmen that will see playing time this year," said head coach Girish Thakar, "but he (Roser) will have more pressure because he is expected to score as a striker."

LaRoche tied the contest 1-1 at the thirty-minute mark. Five minutes later senior forward Matt Nichols made good on a penalty kick, putting the Titans up 2-1.

The Titans dominated the rest of the first half, controlling the action. The second half started with La Roche playing tough defense,

keeping the ball around midfield and giving the Titans no scoring opportunities. Late in the game, sophomore transfer Todd Fleckenstein scored an insurance goal to secure the win.

Junior goalkeeper James Houser made nine saves on 14 shots.

This was the first win of the season for the Titans, who are 1-2. Sophomore goalkeeper Kevin Humberson is optimistic. "I think we are going to be very productive," Humberson said. "I expect to have a winning season." Thakar agrees to a point, saying: "We play well in spurts. If we can come together and play full games to our potential, we will win."

Youth may be one of the Titans' drawbacks. Thakar said, "With five freshman and several sophomores seeing time, there will be mistakes, but if we jell and string together a few wins for confidence, we will shoot for the school win record(9)."

The Titans travel to Pitt-Greensburg Sept. 16.



Photo by Aly Karg

The men's soccer team demonstrated home field advantage in their 3-1 win over LaRoche.

## Volleyball team splits Allegheny Invitational with 2-2 record

By Jacquelin Selznik  
STAFF WRITER

The Westminster Lady Titan volleyball team extended their overall record to 5-4 after finishing 2-2 at the Allegheny College Invitational Sept. 8 and 9. The Titan spikers played Muskingum College, Mount Union College, Penn State-Behrend and SUNY-Fredonia.

Muskingum posted a 15-8, 15-7 and 15-6 decision over the Titans in their first match. Freshman setter Jessica Young posted a team high 12 assists in the loss.

Match two against Mount Union also resulted in a 16-14, 12-15, 11-15 and 9-15 loss. Senior defensive specialist Sarah Verhoff led the team high with 23 digs and 3 aces, while sophomore middle hitter Suzanne Fitz added 6 blocks in the 4 game loss.

Coming off of their two Friday night losses, the Titans rallied to a 15-9, 15-12 and 15-8 win over Penn State-Behrend Saturday morning. Junior outside hitter Shannon

Simmons tallied 13 kills in the match, while Verhoff again led the team with 15 digs. Sophomore setter Carolee Reed added 37 assists in the win.

"We tried to forget about the losses on Friday night and came out with a better outlook for Saturday," Reed said.

The final match of the invitational against SUNY-Fredonia resulted in the Titans' second win, 15-5, 15-4 and 15-6. Junior Brooke Engles led the team in digs. Reed again had a team high of 17 assists. Fitz and sophomore middle hitter Katie Spehar each posted 5 blocks.

Although not overly happy with her team's play, head coach Tammy Swearingen said, "they rebounded well after losing a key player, (senior outside hitter) Andrea Cronie, who suffered an ACL injury, to win their final two games."

The Titans head to Ohio for the Muskingum College Invitational Sept. 15 and 16.

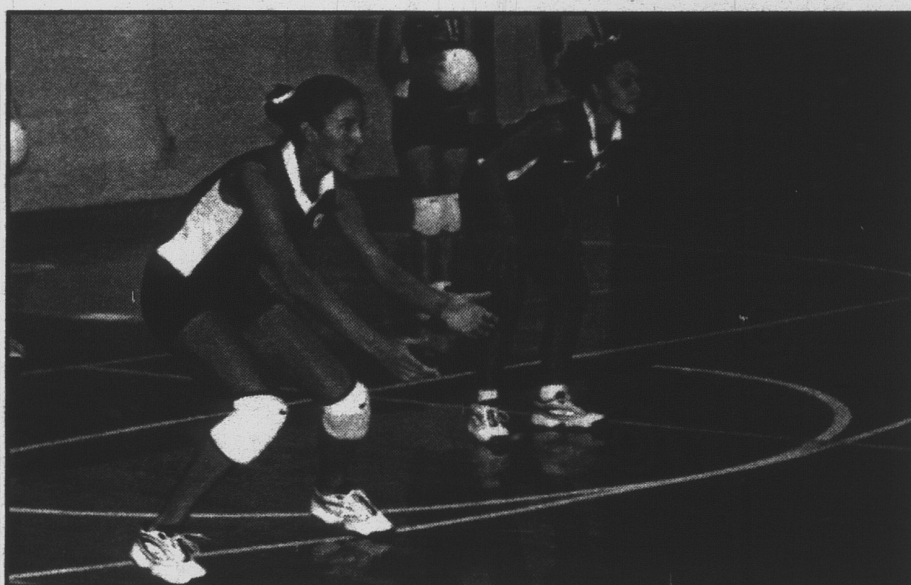


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Sophomore Katie Sphere and senior Sarah Verhoff get ready to defend an attack during warmups.



## IU coach, Bobby Knight terminated

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

For those of you living in the "bubble," notorious Indiana University head basketball coach Bob Knight was fired last Sunday. The final incident that sparked the dismissal of the well-known coach was a confrontation with a 19-year-old student. Knight grabbed the student by the arm last week to lecture him about manners after the freshman greeted him by saying: "Hey, Knight, what's up?" The coach, who told Harvey he should address him as "Coach Knight" or "Mr. Knight," had been under a "zero tolerance" school policy that included no "inappropriate" physical contact with students.

University President Myles Brand said the incident with the student was the final straw in a series of events that led to Knight's dismissal. Knight's previous rap sheet is as follows: he refused to work within the normal chain of command in the athletic department, ignoring Brand's request for him to speak with the athletic director, Clarence Doninger, with whom Knight had an altercation last winter; Knight made inflammatory remarks about university officials and trustees in private and public; he showed disrespect for university alumni by refusing to participate in previously scheduled varsity club events in Bloomington and Chicago; and he used abusive words toward a high-ranking female university official in the presence of others.

Brand said Knight was fired for a "continued pattern of unacceptable behavior." He said he gave the 59-year-old hall of fame coach the option of resigning, but Knight refused. However, Knight will be paid for the final two years of his contract.

Knight won three NCAA championships with the Hoosiers and guided the U.S. Olympic team to a gold medal in 1984, but his behavior, which has included abusive speech and contact with players, has been a problem since he took over the team in 1971. Knight has had one of the game's most notorious tempers: he is known for throwing a chair across the court, stuffing a fan in a garbage can, scuffling with Puerto Rico police and even kicking his son-a player-on the bench. Last spring, he was accused of choking one of his players in a practice in 1997, an act caught on videotape. Following a school investigation into that incident and others, Indiana set the zero-tolerance policy, which included no inappropriate physical contact with students. The university also suspended him for three games and fined him \$30,000.

The reaction of the firing has been mixed. Students protested the day after the announcement.

"Hey, hey, ho, ho. Myles Brand has got to go," some students chanted. "Burn in hell, Brand" read a banner hung from a balcony. Someone ignited an effigy of Kent Harvey, the freshman whose run-in with Knight at Assembly Hall on Thursday triggered the investigations that ended with the coach's dismissal. News of the firing yesterday brought students to the arena where banners celebrate Knight's three national championships. The students cursed Brand and marched in thousands to the president's home a half mile away. Police in riot gear stood watch.

There is no reason to feel sorry for Knight. He made his own decisions and has to pay the consequences. This man had his chance to clean up his act and mend his reputation, but his ego is bigger than his devotion to Indiana basketball. Those who were surprised and appalled by what happened to him have not been looking and listening for the past 30 or 40 years. It was but a matter of time, as it is with a time bomb. In time, his winning records and championships will overshadow his mistakes, but IU fans will not forget how they lost their illustrious head coach.

## Men's cross country splits into two teams

By Brian Wilson  
STAFF WRITER

For the first time in Westminster history, the men's cross country team split into two squads to widen the range of competition.

The Titan "A" squad placed 4th of 6 teams at the Allegheny College Invitational on Sept. 8. Coach Ron Galbreath predicted the hilly 8k (5m) would be "one of the more challenging meets of recent years."

Top harriers were junior co-captain, Jake Gleason (3rd 27:05), freshman Tim Snyder (16th 28:28) and junior Scott Fabry (18th 28:31).

On Saturday, the "B" squad easily defended the Thiel Invitational title by capturing 7 of the top 12 places in the race.

Top performances were given by junior Andy Chiapusio (2nd 30:00) and freshman David Benson (4th 30:25). Other Titans posting top 10 finishes were freshmen David and Kevin Dobbins and senior co-captain Travis Gatesman.

Sophomore team manager Joe Gill summed up the race in one line, "You guys

worked as a team and won as a team and I am proud to be a part of it all."

The combined team will travel to the Penn State Behrend Invitational Sept. 16, returning to the site of last year's heart-breaking one-point loss to Cuyahoga Community College. When asked about the upcoming meet, Gleason commented, "We learned to respect all of our competition the hard way last year... Now we are stronger and have another year's worth of wisdom to take into battle."



Contributed Photo  
The men's cross country "Team A" placed fourth at the Allegheny Invitational.

## Women's soccer defeated by Slippery Rock 2-1

By Desiree Henry  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan women's soccer team increased their losing streak to 0-3 on Sept. 7 when they lost at home to Slippery Rock, 1-2.

Slippery Rock scored two goals in the first half but was unable to score in the second.

Abbey Ludwig scored the first goal for Slippery Rock off of a corner kick. The second goal came from Kara Yunotti on a break away.

"(Sophomore) Krissy Edmonds and (freshman) Katie Kennedy played a great defensive game," said junior goalie Sarah Morrison, who made eight saves for Westminster.

Sophomore Tammy Newell scored the lone goal for the

Titans in the second half, assisted by junior co-captain Ashley Pyle. This was the first goal for the Titans on their new field.

"I feel that we played well together," sophomore Erin Quinlan said. "It was a very aggressive game for both teams. We should win the rest of our games throughout the season."

"We came out slow but our game picked up in the second half," junior co-captain Carrie Mathers said. "We should have no trouble winning games within our conference."

Head coach Tom Keller was pleased with the team's performance. He expects the Titans to win the remainder of their games.

The Lady Titans were defeated 4-1 by Bloomsburg on Sept. 2 and again by Lock Haven 2-1 on Sept. 3.

"Despite our first three losses, we are looking forward to a successful season," sophomore Krissy Edmonds said.



Photo by Aly Karg  
Despite a fierce battle, the Titans dropped to SRU, 1-2.

## Women's cross country dominates Thiel Invite

By Nicholas D'Antonio  
STAFF WRITER

The women's cross country team took first place at the Thiel Invitational Sept. 9 easily dominating three other teams. The Titans had finished solid with 15 points. Bethany College took second with 50 points, Thiel came in next with 85, and Waynesburg College's 88 points secured them last place.

Gary Lilly is the head coach. Senior captain Jennifer Bennett finished the 5k race in 21:23. Six other Titan runners placed within the top 20. Sophomore Lydia Humaneky finished in second place. Sophomore Nikki Beaver finished third. Junior Desiree Henry finished fifth. Freshmen Amanda Love and Sara Jalongo finished sixth and tenth, respectively. Sophomore Briana Palko finished seventeenth.

Head coach Gary Lilly said the team had a solid performance. He also said that the underclassmen came through very well and is optimistic for this season, saying "the team

looks very strong."

Bennett also commented on the team, citing passion for the sport as an advantage. "I like running and I think the other girls do to." When asked how the should do this year, she said, "The last couple of years we didn't do as well, but in the new conference we should do good."

They will face their major rival, Grove City, when they travel to the Penn State Behrend Invitational Sept. 16.



Photo by Courtney Behm  
Women's cross country team takes Thiel Invitational.



# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

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THE WATCHER

REVIEWS

## Beth Staley

Who needs psychiatric help more: the serial killer or the FBI agent hunting him? In *The Watcher*, a movie that needs any kind of help, psychologist Polly (played by Marisa Tomei) may require the most therapy after counseling FBI agent Jack Campbell (James Spader). In his sessions with her, Spader emerges as an ex-LA profiler who falls under the influence of severe migraines, drugs, and depression instigated by the case of serial killer David Allen Griffin (Keanu Reeves). At his new Chicago home, Spader regularly visits the grave of one of Griffin's memorable victims, receives counseling, and uses a blend of pills and needles just to get through the day.

Eventually Griffin also relocates to Chicago and gets in touch with Spader by mailing him photographs of future victims. When Spader approaches the police with these photographs in addition to his vast knowledge about Griffin, Spader is recruited in spite of his fear and apparent tense connection to the killer.

As the case unfolds, Griffin's character is only slightly developed. He pays close attention to his victims as he charts their complete schedules, photographs and follows them. As a serial killer, Griffin doesn't express a motive, and lacks the intensity to dramatically chill or sicken the audience. Reeves fills the screen with a friendly, sarcastic attitude that projects an eerie feeling at times, but no thrill.

As a psychologist, even a beginner, Marisa Tomei is not at all convincing. Her attempt to look sincere during therapy fails, and instead she ends up looking immensely confused. As her patient, Spader appears so overwhelmed with his character that he almost overplays the crazed investigator haunted by the horrors of the past. However, alongside Chicago investigators Ibby (Ernie Hudson) and Hollis (Chris Ellis), he has a dynamic, admirable drive. Behind the scenes, the efforts of producers Nile Niami and Christopher Eberts, Executive Producer Patrick Choi, and Director Joe Charbanic create a realistic collage of Chicago scenes pinned with the horror of a deadly serial killer.

Griffin has all the right moves in various moments of high-energy, explosive car chases and semi-suspenseful near confrontations with Spader and the police. Overall, however, the final scenes fail to leave the viewer with any option other than Spader's victory.

Basically, if you're craving a movie with serial killers, dramatic crime-fighters, and beautiful, empathetic women in the field of psychology, go see *The Cell*. *The Watcher* just doesn't have the ability to grip an audience. While watching *The Watcher* you won't be able to stop watching your watch.

## Joseph Stamper

Prepare to be bamboozled again by the "Hollywood Hype Machine." Another high-budget thriller with big name stars fails to deliver the goods.

In *The Watcher*, the burned-out law enforcement official takes on the killer who got away. FBI agent Joel Campbell (James Spader) goes on disability after seeing his lover killed by David Allen Griffin (Keanu Reeves). The movie is named for Griffin's method of stalking his victims before he moves in for the kill. A disturbed and drug-addicted Campbell moves from LA to Chicago to be closer to his dead lover's grave. Campbell's fellow agents

brand him "Captain Barbiturate." Soon the murders resume in Chicago and Campbell is back on the case. *The Watcher* sends pictures of his victims to Campbell and gives the FBI one day to stop the murder. The plot thickens when Griffin targets Campbell's psychiatrist/love-interest Dr. Polly (Marisa Tomei).

### Stamper's Four-Corner Break Down

(Out of 10, 10 being the best)

**Date Movie- 8** *The Watcher* is predictable and obvious. These qualities make it a great date movie. Movie patrons can devote their full attentions to the affections of their significant others with only breath timeouts to watch the action scenes.

### Special FX- 6

The visual effects of *The Watcher* were adequate. Its lack of continuity and chemistry, not the expensive explosions, sinks this flick.

### Star Power- 3

The movie viewer never really buys Reeves as a cold and unshakable serial killer. Neither the writing nor the performances presents Spader's character as likable. There is no level on which the audience can identify with the hero. Tomei gives an uninspiring performance in a lackluster role.

### Plot- 6

Though unoriginal, similar plots have worked in countless other movies. The plot contained all the right pieces, but the casting and directing of Joe Charbanic couldn't put them together.

### Overall- Not Worth My Money

There is no thrill in this thriller. *The Watcher* does not live up to its potential as a box office contender, although it would have made a great made-for-TV movie. This critic's best advice is to avoid this movie if possible.



## Chadagan's restaurant in Mercer offers bands and College Night

By Kendra McClymonds  
A&E EDITOR

Do you want the good news or the bad news first? The good news is there is finally a local place for food, folks, and fun around here, and no, it's not McDonald's. The bad news is, to take full advantage of the "college night" theme, you have to be 21 or older. But don't sweat underclassmen, Chadagan's in Mercer, Pa. offers a full menu restaurant and local band nights open to all ages.

The Loft at Chadagan's is launching its weekly College Night featured every Thursday starting at 7 pm. This turn of

events is new to our area, adding to the nightlife of both Lawrence and Mercer counties.

"There's nothing like this around here," says Chadagan's owner, Dagan Gabanly. "There are a lot of schools within a 20 minute range and they have no place to really go."

Gabanly, 26, graduated from Edinboro and is familiar with Western Pennsylvania's lack of college-aged entertainment. He agrees with most complaints that though there are several colleges in this area, there are very few establishments targeted towards the students.

These students, ages 21 and over, can

party on a dance floor under colored lights, fog, and a big-screen video player; play darts, pool, pinball, foosball or hockey; and register to win varied Rolling Rock paraphernalia such as hats, T-shirts and a ten-speed bicycle to be given away November 16th.

The Loft upstairs also offers an abbreviated menu featuring pizza, nachos, cheese sticks, shrimp cocktail, etc. These appetizers are available until midnight.

Students under 21 can order from a full menu offering the usual dinner entrees, salads, pastas and even desserts. Also available to all ages is the "Further Mind Festival." This gathering of ten local

alternative bands took place last Sunday, but students can look for additional concerts in the future where you can "expose yourself to the local music scene."

For anyone planning to attend Chadagan's College Night, there is a \$2 cover charge without college ID. To get to Chadagan's from Westminster, drive straight on N. Market through the red light and continue for the next ten miles. Upon reaching Mercer, turn left at the second stop sign and Chadagan's will be on the right.

For more information concerning this new place to party, call 662-4533 and ask for Dagan.

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the audience."

Sophomore Kristen Karatinos reasoned "since Westminster College is not very culturally diverse, it is good to see presentations that show diversity."

"It gave me a chance to learn more about African American culture and history without having to sit in a classroom," said sophomore Amy Putas.

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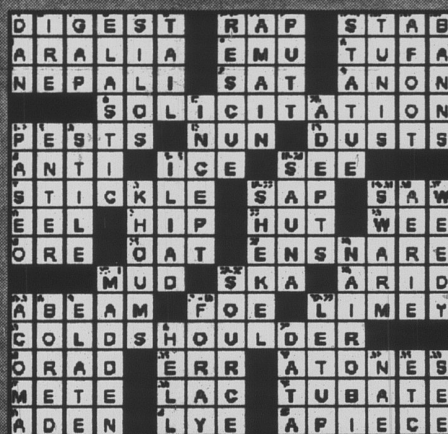
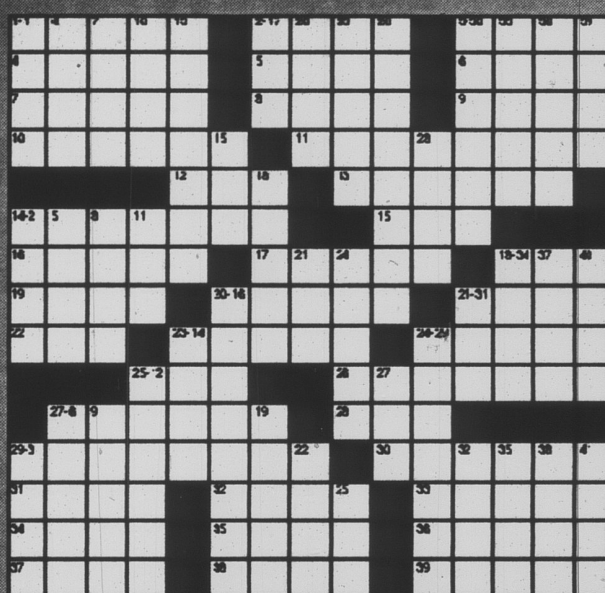


## ACROSS

- 1- Trample
- 2- Executive Officer
- 3- Sovereign
- 4- Leg bone
- 5- Fetter
- 6- Game played on horseback
- 7- Bay window
- 8- Small secluded valley
- 9- Earthen pot
- 10- Full assembly
- 11- Conventional
- 12- Indian dish
- 13- Tiny
- 14- Eyelash cosmetic
- 15- Narrow beam of light
- 16- The number system with base 8
- 17- Bury
- 18- Sorrowful
- 19- Bedouin
- 20- Examined furtively
- 21- Part of skeleton
- 22- Negative
- 23- Roman goddess of the hearth
- 24- Dough
- 25- Title of a knight
- 26- Rough-edged
- 27- Winkle
- 28- Hasten
- 29- Twelve pence
- 30- Book of elementary principles
- 31- Conceal
- 32- Crack
- 33- Show emotion
- 34- So be it
- 35- Large marine food fish
- 36- Sweatbox
- 37- Lake or pond
- 38- Indication
- 39- Sully

## DOWN

- 1- Cease
- 2- Grumble
- 3- Fraud
- 4- Rotate
- 5- Land measure
- 6- Gong
- 7- Off-Broadway theater award
- 8- Male deer
- 9- Person who rides
- 10- Demeanor
- 11- Taxicab
- 12- Greek goddess of the moon
- 13- Marshy
- 14- Phial
- 15- Impair
- 16- Continues obstinately
- 17- Ovum
- 18- Dens
- 19- Boredom
- 20- Combining form meaning "wood"
- 21- Louse egg
- 22- Group or band
- 23- Turn outward
- 24- Instruct
- 25- Metal container used for frying
- 26- Having a central axis
- 27- Apex
- 28- Listen to
- 29- Wife of a peer
- 30- Silly
- 31- Prohibit
- 32- Officiating priest of a mosque
- 33- Grasps
- 34- Indifferent
- 35- Pouting grimace
- 36- Metallic compound
- 37- Against
- 38- Sicilian volcano
- 39- Hoodwink
- 40- Feat
- 41- The back of



## ARIES

You may wish to grow spiritually, but power struggles will present obstacles to security and confidence. Exercise tolerance while maintaining strict morals.

## TAURUS

Time to get everything in order so you will be able to relax without worrying about annoying details. Break free from your emotional cocoon and fly away. The sooner you face the music, the sooner you'll feel better.

## GEMINI

Utilize your energy to stir up strong feelings of belonging to a higher force. You'll be impressed by a presentation or potential project someone has to offer.

## CANCER

A negative individual with selfish motives will try to complicate your life. You need to cut the ties. Keep a positive flow, but learn from your mistakes.

## LEO

Try to re-organize your life. Take a light-hearted approach to issues of children and older individuals. They may just need to share a laugh with you. Your career goals may be closer than you thought.

## VIRGO

Partnership matters could present you with a test. Be cautious and save yourself a fortune in time, money, and worry. You have been feeling a little blue lately, but something or someone close to you will help you return to a more positive track.

## LIBRA

Discussions are very important if you are to achieve the results that you want. Don't be tempted to hide your head in the sand or adopt an unrealistic attitude. Opportunities will be yours for the taking.

## SCORPIO

Someone who holds a special place in your life will try to win your heart with his or her generosity and understanding. Accept the help, but don't make any rash decisions. Realize that events on the surface of your life are only reflections of the tests you make for yourself.

## SAGITTARIUS

You can create your own excitement by exploring some of the ideas in the back of your mind. Recent setbacks should not deter you from reaching your goals. Discuss your options with someone you trust.

## CAPRICORN

Negative forces could have you feeling blue. Wait a while before engaging your emotions again. It's time to get serious, do so with a smile on your face.

## AQUARIUS

You have been trying to burn the candle at both ends. Be careful not to burn yourself out. Questioning others' motives because of your feelings of guilt or neglect will only amplify problems. Analyze your actions instead of trying to lay blame elsewhere.

## PISCES

You have the ability to make others laugh at their own faults. Use your sense of humor to help people see the positive forces you possess.

## Bikini Survivor FreeWay allows two hours of next challenge free long distance phone calls

NEW YORK, — Beginning September 10th, viewers will have a chance to log on to <http://www.BikiniSurvivor.com> and choose the lucky women who will be flown to Costa Rica to compete in the Ultimate Bikini Survivor challenge. Producers select forty candidates from applications received through the audition process, which runs through October 19th. Viewers can log on to the site and decide which ten out of the forty candidates will compete to be the Ultimate Bikini Survivor by voting for their favorite contestant. The site goes live on October 30th.

Bikini Survivor is a six-week competition, in which ten scantily clad women compete in various challenges to be crowned the Ultimate Bikini Survivor. The competition takes place in a secluded, beachfront Costa Rican villa, complete with tropical pool and indoor/outdoor bar. Thirty-four cameras will broadcast live, online 24/7. Online viewers will vote off contestants one by one until the Ultimate Bikini Survivor is determined. Contestants engage in daily competitions such as Twister and Bikini Jump Rope in order to win prizes and immunity from the weekly online elimination vote.

Registered members of the site will also be able to chat with the contestants online. The Ultimate Bikini Survivor will walk away with \$25,000 and most likely — an incredible tan.

Participation in the contestant selection process, which runs from September 10th through October 19th, is free. After the site goes live and competition begins on October 30th, online viewers must register and pay a fee in order to view the competition and vote people off.

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when you register.

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With something this good, there has to be a catch — there is a limit of two hours of free long distance calling per month. Even with this restriction, more than 100,000 college students across the country have already signed up with FreeWay to save money on their long distance calls.

Registration at [www.callfreeway.com](http://www.callfreeway.com) takes about five minutes — a small time commitment that lets you make two hours of free long distance calls each and every month. And with the money you save, you may not have to call home for more funds after all!

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# OPINION

## Rant and Rave

"I hate how everyone still acts like they are in high school and will menacingly gossip about anyone or anything."

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"I like how I see familiar faces anywhere I go."

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"The price of books on this campus is ridiculous. To pay over \$20,000 for an education and \$500 on top of that per semester is unreasonable. Why can't professors find cheaper books or let us know which books we need when we sign up for the class so we can find them cheaper on the Net before classes start? The book store shouldn't be a monopoly."

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"I like the fact that I saved \$130 by connecting to the TitanNet myself. It's about time."

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"I can't believe I got to get steak at the cafeteria the other night...two thumbs up!"

## OUR VIEW: Do Something

Congratulations to admissions on recruiting yet another carbon copy of the previous year. The reasoning for obtaining similar students is understandable, since there are certain qualities future students should have to best fit in on campus. But, one would think that each year admissions would reevaluate the trends of the class previous to see what qualities were "missing" to create a more active, diversified campus. But, here we are once again with the same problem we discussed in the previous years.

Is it this entire generation? Did somehow we lose motivation to be involved?

Finally, the problem is being noticed by more than just a few people and groups on campus. Most recently, the Greeks felt the effects with a dismal turnout to "Meet the Greeks" last Saturday where there were more Greeks than freshmen.

The fact of the matter is, students aren't realizing that the more they are involved, the more they're going to benefit later in the workplace. An employer is going to want a candidate who has knowledge in a variety of fields rather than someone who graduated with a 4.0 but did nothing else by study.

The college is going to be what we make it. You can sit back and complain about how there isn't diversity or anything else to do but where that's going to

leave you is where you started. Instead, why don't you get involved? If everyone picked one new activity, the problem would be solved. But more importantly, it would not only benefit the college but your resume and job search.

The problem doesn't lie just with the students either. Admissions and Student Affairs seem to walk around with their hands in the air saying they have lost the battle. Instead of repeating, "we tried that," maybe it's time to let the students hold more events they want. Instead, professors and administration seem to make it as difficult as possible for activities to go on. Half of them frown on Greeks, some on athletes etc. Yes, we are here to learn but by attending a liberal arts college, we are also here to gain experiences. On paper, diversity and a variety of experiences are great ideas. We have Inquiry, IPs and Fresh Start to help students understand the importance of gaining more than just a basic education. But to many, Inquiry was/is poorly implemented, which mirrors diversity on campus. It's like, well yes we want to be diversified, so here are programs. The kinks haven't been worked out yet, but we'll figure them out along the way. Wonderful that the initiative was taken, but almost anyone knows that a disorganized activity or class isn't going to be as well appreciated

as one that is planned thoroughly.

Again, it's not just administration. Where the problem lies is with the campus community as a whole. A challenge, one might call it, but in many aspects it's something that must be taken into consideration and acted upon. Looking at it from everyone's perspective, the more students are involved, the better it will look for our campus, to prospective students and future employers.

This problem of inactivity has been repeated over and over especially through the Holcad. While it's still early, get involved and find ways to get involved. Yes, maybe Greek life (which is the most publicized), isn't for you. But there are so many more activities to be involved with and if there still isn't one that appeals to you, make your own. But whatever you do, don't sit around and whine because there's nothing to do on campus. Not until you've exhausted all the options. Hopefully administration will support initiatives to promote and create activities. They should see that this will only benefit the college and its customers--the students.

It's time to stop being such a passive, whiney campus community and start taking action. It's a challenge; now it's up to you.

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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I read last Friday's *Holcad* and noticed there were no articles about the presidential election. NOT ONE. The election is approaching fast, less than eight weeks away!

Since statistics show that college-aged people vote the least (18 to 29 year olds make up only 9% of the electorate according to [www.gallup.com](http://www.gallup.com)), I feel strongly that students need to understand politics better, and get involved. A Mock Convention several months beforehand, though a great and fun experience, is not enough. I've always been puzzled, and disheartened, that we who have the greatest stake care the least. I am also upset that more people care about "Survivor" and "Big Brother" than about the next four years of their own lives, and that of the country.

It certainly is of no help that our college newspaper ignores politics.

Thanks,

Kurt Auchter

## WSU student speaks out about Napster website on campus

PULLMAN, Wash.(WSU Campus) — The people behind the Web site Napster are thieves. They are vultures who make a living scavenging off other people's creations.

And like thieves and scavengers, they have no qualms about breaking the law. Like good thieves, they rationalize their actions, until they convince themselves they are doing no wrong. So, not only are they thieves, they are pathological criminals.

They give no thought to the artists they are transgressing against.

Nor do they give any thought to those people and institutions they are making a party to their crime — including everyone's favorite party school, WSU.

Last Friday, Howard E. King, who represents recording artists Dr. Dre and Metallica, sent a letter to WSU President V. Lane Rawlins, requesting WSU block access to Napster on its network.

Napster is a service that allows access to millions of copyrighted songs.

An estimated 20 million people gather regularly at Napster's spot on the Web and upload or download copyrighted material without the permission of the copyright holders.

That is against the law. It is called copyright infringement.

Napster argues it simply provides space for its users to share files.

I think it enables millions of people to steal intellectual property.

And in so doing, it incriminates institutions like WSU. If WSU continues to allow Napster access on its networks, it is just as guilty of copyright infringement as the service itself.

For example, imagine you own a large four-story house. Let's say you rent the first two stories of your house to someone who uses those floors for a drug house. What do you think would happen when the police showed up? Would you claim innocence, just because you were merely providing the space for these illegal occurrences? Do you think that you would be somehow indemnified from any criminal prosecutions?

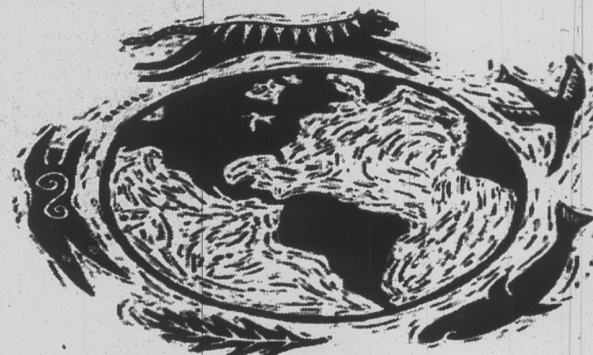
Of course not. Napster and WSU are in the same position, facilitating criminal activity.

I urge Rawlins to accommodate King's request. Yale did it and this might be his first, last and only chance to get WSU mentioned in the same breath as Yale.

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# CLASSIFIEDS

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MERCER COUNTY AMERICAN HEART WALK**, dedicated to the memory of Mark D. Fleming, is scheduled Saturday, Sept. 16 at Buhl Park. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. at Shelter 2 and the walk begins at 10 a.m. at the tennis court area. For more information, call the AHA Office at (724) 983-1055.

**WOMEN'S SHELTER/RAPE CRISIS CENTER** is sponsoring a "Sexual Assault Volunteer Training" Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 6 p.m. The course will cover all aspects of sexual assault, legal issues, AIDS education, counseling techniques, crisis intervention, and hotline training. For more information, contact Barbara Klenotic at (724) 652-9206 EXT. 14.

**CRAIG KARGES** is performing Saturday, Sept. 16 at 9 p.m. in the Down Under. His show includes a fantastic display of illusion, incorporating total audience participation.

**SWIMMING LESSONS** registration is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 24 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Memorial Field House. Levels II and I begin weeknights 5:30-6:15 p.m. and Saturday 10-10:45 a.m. Levels III, IV, V, and VII begin weeknights 6:30-7:15 p.m. and Saturdays 11-11:45 a.m. The 9-week lessons begin Sept. 25-30 and Oct. 2-4, and cost \$40 per person. All participants must be at least 5 years old. For more information, contact Robert Klamut, director of aquatics, at (724) 946-7315.

**THE ASSOCIATION OF PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES** is sponsoring a poster contest. The association invites all students, faculty and staff from Presbyterian-related schools, colleges, and universities to submit designs for this poster. The winning design will prominently feature the artist and the school, college, or university that he or she attends. Winners will receive \$150 in addition to having their work viewed by millions of people. All entries must be received by Dec. 31.

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**MERCER COUNTY NEEDS TUTORS** Monday - Thursday, 3 - 5 p.m. for children in grades K-6. This is another possible community service or internship opportunity, about 15 - 20 minutes from campus. Call Tracy at (724) 342-4039 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

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**PITTSBURG.COM** is looking for interns for next summer. Interested candidates should e-mail Jason Headen at [jheaden@cimedia.com](mailto:jheaden@cimedia.com) by Monday, Oct. 2, and include their resumes and specific internship areas of interest. They are looking for marketing, community outreach, technical, and graphics. For more information, call Janet Waugaman at EXT 6338.

**HILL, BARTH & KING, LLC**, Salem, Ohio, will have paid internships available from Jan. 2001 through April 2001. Call Linda Evans at (330) 337-8713 for more information.

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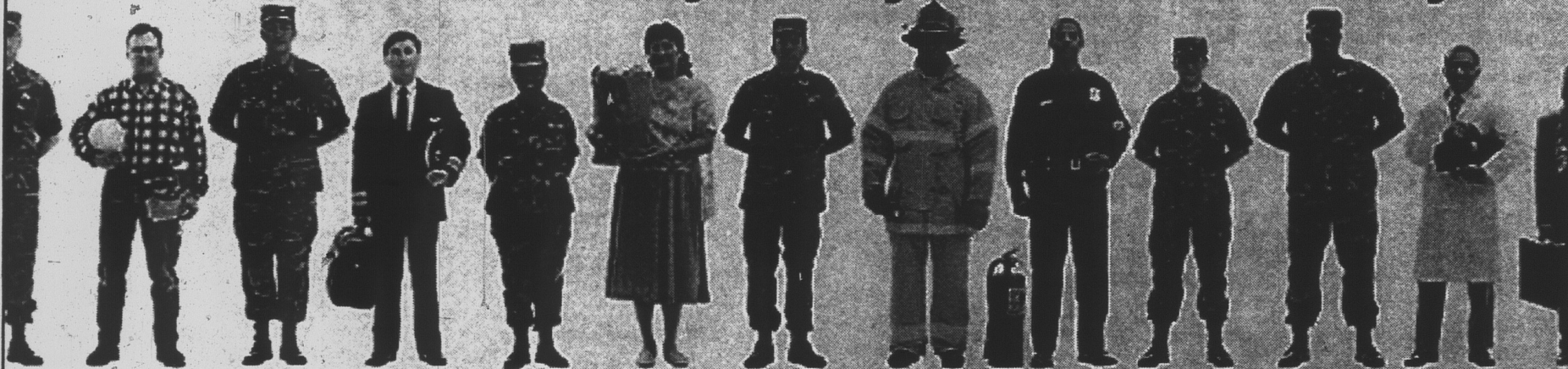
**THE PITTSBURGH PENGUINS** are seeking interns for their Game Entertainment Department, for both fall and spring. They are interested in juniors, majoring in business, marketing, or public relations, who are enthusiastic about being involved with behind the scenes aspects of a professional sports team. Contact Mike Wurman at (412) 642-1936 for more information.

**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS** applications are available in the Career Center. Deadline for submitting is November 7, 2000. Call Janet Waugaman at EXT. 6338 for more information.

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**PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION** is looking for interns who are full-time students and Pennsylvania residents. Areas of interests include chemistry, environmental science, biology, and computer science. For more information check out: <http://www.dep.state.pa.us/dep>

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## FRIDAY 15

Greek Philanthropy Week - TUB Grille  
 Volleyball @ Muskingum Invitational  
 11:40 a.m. Chapel  
 3:00 p.m. Volleyball @ Muskingum Invitational  
 5:00 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for German for Children III — PH 230  
 8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Quad-a-Thon - Quad  
 10:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. JT's Café - Down Under

## SATURDAY 16

9:00 a.m. - Alumni Relations Reunion Workshop - TUB A/B  
 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. FAMILY DAY - Anderson Amphitheater and Russell Hall Green  
 9:30 a.m. - noon Career Center Education Program for Seniors - PH 112  
 10:30 a.m. Women's Tennis vs. W & J - (H)  
 11:00 a.m. Cross Country @ Penn State-Behrend  
 11:00 a.m. Volleyball @ Muskingum Invitational  
 11:30 a.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Tailgate Party - Burry Stadium  
 1:00 p.m. Men's Soccer @ Pitt-Greensburg  
 1:00 p.m. Football vs. Geneva (H)  
 3:00 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Roberts Wesleyan (H)  
 7:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel  
 8:00 p.m. Newman Club Ice Cream Social - Old Main Tower Room  
 9:00 p.m. CPC Presents: Craig Karges (Mentalist) - Down Under

## SUNDAY 17

12:30 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Rush Party (Steelers vs. Browns) - Sig Ep House  
 2:00 p.m. Men's Soccer @ Allegheny  
 6:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Meeting - Sig Ep House  
 6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting - Theta Chi House  
 7:00 p.m. Vespers  
 9:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

## MONDAY 18

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 Phi Mu Carnation Week  
 11:40 a.m. Chapel  
 5:00 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Introduction to Computers for Seniors, Session A — PH 214  
 5:30 p.m. Panel Meeting - TUB A/B  
 6:00 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112/113  
 6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
 6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting — TUB A/B  
 6:30 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall  
 6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116

6:30 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Introduction to Computers for Seniors, Session B — PH 214  
 7:00 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311/312  
 8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230

## TUESDAY 19

11:00 a.m. Council of Chairs Meeting — TUB A/B  
 3:30 p.m. Women's Tennis @ Thiel  
 4:00 p.m. Blasby Colloquium - TUB Lounge  
 4:00 p.m. Career Center Resume & Cover Letter Workshop - TUB A/B  
 5:00 p.m. SAA Meeting  
 5:30 p.m. Campus Ministry Training — Chapel  
 6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting — PH 231  
 6:00 p.m. Mortar Board Meeting — HSC 166  
 6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House

## WEDNESDAY 20

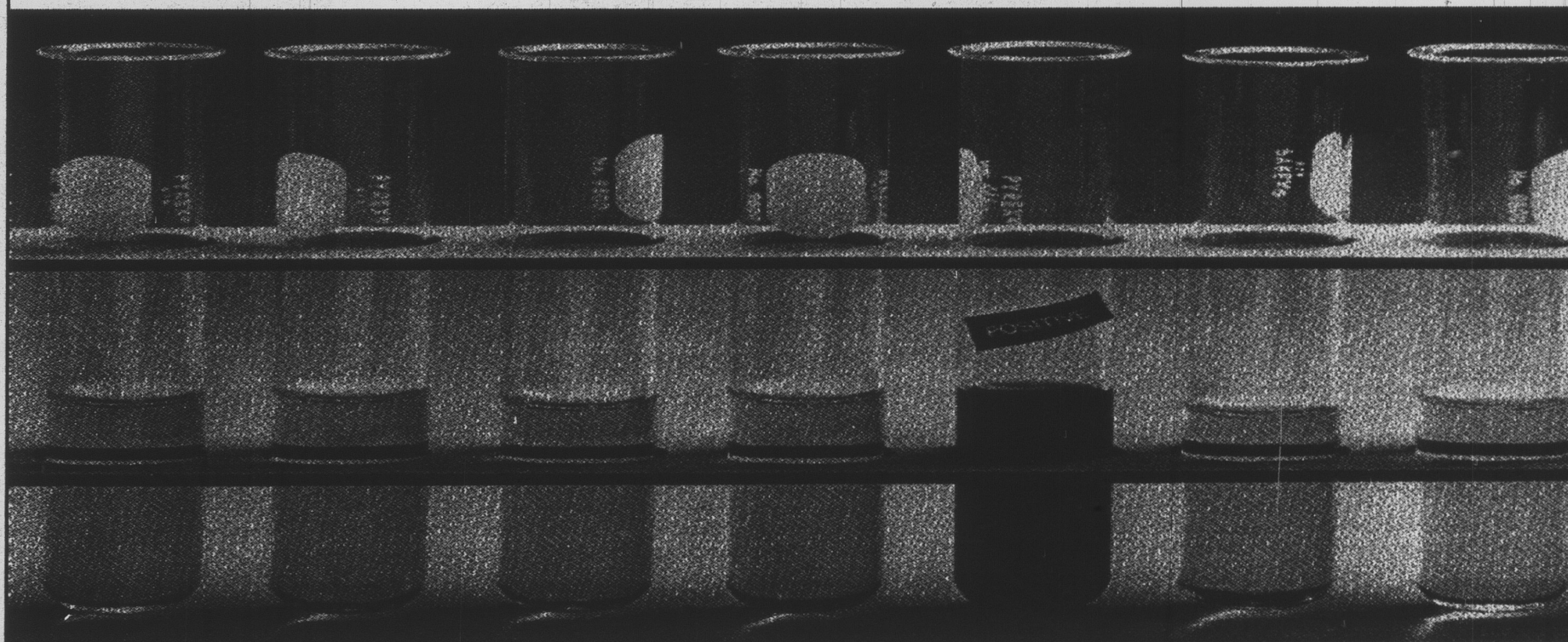
RESERVATIONS MAY BE MADE STARTING TODAY FOR The National Shakespeare Company's Presentation of Hamlet (see September 27). Call x7241 or e-mail beeghly@westminster.edu

11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum — TUB A/B  
 3:00 p.m. Men's Soccer vs. Lake Erie (H)  
 4:00 p.m. Career Center Interviewing/Job Search Workshop - TUB A/B  
 5:00 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Bethany (H)  
 6:00 p.m. Sexual Assault Volunteer Training — Student Health Center  
 6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
 7:00 p.m. Volleyball @ Bethany  
 7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
 8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B  
 8:00 p.m. Student Pre-Law Association Meeting - Location TBA  
 8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
 9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - Down Under

## THURSDAY 21

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Job Placement and Internships Information Table - Tub Grille  
 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. International Study Abroad Program Recruiting and Sign Up — TUB Grille  
 3:00 p.m. Women's Tennis @ Waynesburg  
 6:00 p.m. RACT (Resident Advisor Continuous Training) Meeting - Hillside Lobby  
 6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
 6:30 p.m. Career Center Accounting Presentation — TUB A/B  
 7:00 p.m. IFC Meeting — Location TBA  
 7:00 p.m. Black Student Union Meeting — PH 231  
 7:15 p.m. Volleyball vs. Thiel (H)

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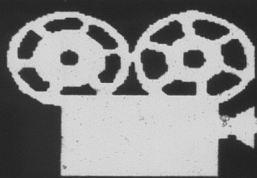
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## Campus anxious for TCF completion



TCF was recognizably changed when students returned to campus. It is on schedule to be finished by spring of 2001.

By Leanne Walley  
STAFF WRITER

The \$4 million renovation of TCF is well underway. The oldest academic building on campus, constructed in 1893, is currently undergoing some much-needed changes.

According to Physical Plant Director Owen Wagner, TCF is being renovated to provide additional classroom and office space for faculty and students. The addition of these classrooms and offices will bring about some changes in the location of a few departments that are currently housed in Patterson Hall.

"The building will house the departments of communications, art, modern languages, theatre and public relations," Wagner said. The new renovations also include a graphic computer lab, photo lab, three smart classrooms and one traditional classroom.

Dean of Students and Chair of the Modern Language Department Jesse Mann expressed his excitement regarding the completion of the

project.

"We are all thrilled and really looking forward to the move," Mann said.

Not everyone shares his optimism. Many students feel that the construction has been a lengthy distraction.

"I think the construction work is annoying because it takes up parking spaces by the TUB, it creates a lot of noise and it seems to be moving at a very slow pace," junior Amanda Kelly said. Sophomore Laurel Miller agreed.

"I'm looking forward for the construction work to be over. I just think it makes the campus look bad."

This seems to be the general consensus around campus, but students and faculty might not be bothered by the TCF construction much longer. Plans for the newly renovated building seem to be in order. Wagner assured the construction work is on schedule and the renovations should be completed by spring 2001.

## Quad-A-Thon attracts few Westminster students

By Jason Gabany  
STAFF WRITER

Alpha Phi Omega, Westminster's community service organization, sponsored the annual Quad-A-Thon on Friday, September 15th to raise awareness about homelessness.

After discussions with the inquiry classes, organization president Heather Hupp was optimistic about the turnout. This year, however, did not show a great increase in participation in comparison with past years. Approximately 25 students showed up; of those only 11 remained the whole night. When questioned about the low number of students, Heather speculated about the turnout's relation to the weather, but also pointed to a lack of interest on the part of Westminster students. Heather went on to state that the majority of participants were not

from Westminster, but instead had matriculated from Grove City College and Slippery Rock University.

Those students that did participate enjoyed hot cocoa, tea and coffee, along with snacks, games and good company. A new addition to the event was guest speaker Sister Claire Marie, from the Prince of Peace Foundation. The talk was open forum, and allowed students to discuss problems they face today.

Coinciding with the Quad-A-Thon, Alpha Phi Omega sponsored a spare change drive in order to generate funds for the Prince of Peace Center in Mercer County. The Prince of Peace missions include a soup kitchen, clothing center and shelter.

Overall, participating students thought the event was a success, but would like to see increased interest and participation in the future.

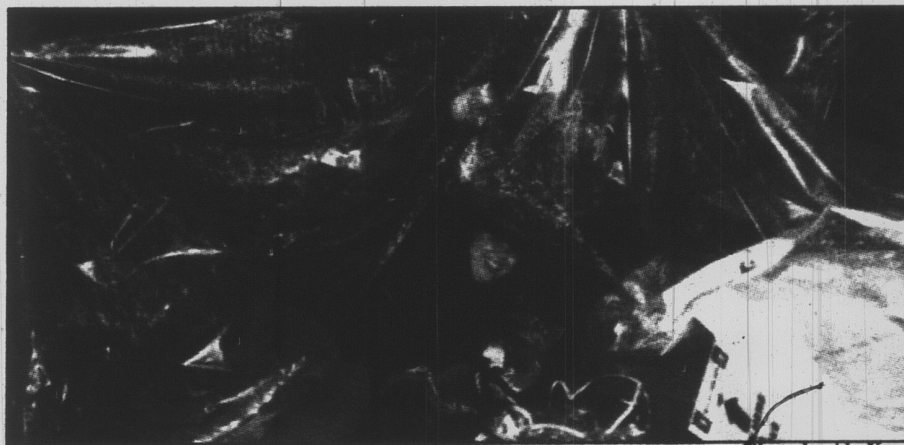
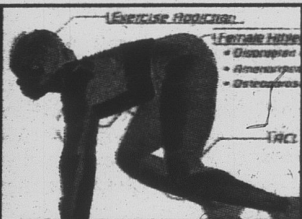


Photo by Aly Karg

One of the Quad-A-Thon participants peeks out from under the temporary housing. Surprisingly, the majority of the participants were from other area colleges.

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## CAMPUS NEWS

### Second-grader's photography honored Families come onto campus



Emily Woods presents her photographs to Dr. Maloney.

Photo by Aly Karg

By Jodi Russo  
STAFF WRITER

Westminster was recently represented at the Lawrence County Fair by Emily Woods, a second grade student at Mohawk Elementary School. She participated in numerous fair events including a photography contest.

Emily explored our campus with her grandmother, Stacey Dando, an employee of Westminster. The young photographer, with the help of her companion, took many pictures of the Amphitheater and chapel.

"I would tell Emily where to take the pictures and Emily would snap them," Dando said. They worked well as a team.

Apparently Stacey and Emily chose the ideal places to take the pictures, because Emily's pictures were deemed the finest and were awarded prizes in the photography contest.

"She was more excited about the ribbons that she took home than the small amount of money she received," Dando said.

Emily had never taken pictures before the contest. She was very excited about the photos and said she plans to come see them displayed on campus.

"The photos are a gift from Emily, and Westminster is pleased to accept them," said Dr. Maloney, who accepted the photographs.

By Joy Kellewae  
STAFF WRITER

The stands were packed for the Geneva football game, but the spectators were not just students. Saturday, Sept. 16th was Parent's Day, and many supportive parents turned out to mark the occasion. Many parents took advantage of the football, soccer, cross country, tennis and volleyball sporting events held over the weekend in order to spend time with, or watch their children in action.

A number of upperclassmen, however, seemed unaware of the occasion. Freshmen took greater advantage of this day, possibly because they and their parents are still adapting to the separation caused by college life. Sophomore volleyball team member, Monica Asher confessed, "I didn't know that it was (Parent's Day) until some of the other girls said something." The general consensus among upperclassmen was that of either ignorance or indifference.

In addition to the various sporting events that took place, a Parent's Day outing was held at Russell Hall and the Amphitheater. Later in the evening, parents were welcome to watch mentalist Craig Karges perform at the Down Under.

### Career Center sponsors Graduate School Preview along with Slippery Rock University in October

By Megan Clark  
STAFF WRITER

Juniors and seniors who plan to continue their education after college graduation should keep the afternoon of Oct. 19, 2000 free.

The Career Center, in conjunction with Slippery Rock University, will be hosting a Graduate School Preview Fair that day. Approximately 30 schools, including Pitt, Carlow, and Duquesne, will have tables set up in the TUB Lounge and TUB A/B from 3:00-7:00 p.m. Representatives will be on hand to provide information about specific programs, entrance requirements, and hints on successful application processes.

Jackie Meade, Director of the Career

Center, urges juniors to attend so they may begin narrowing their choices. "Many schools have early deadlines, and talking to as many as possible will help students find the best match," Meade said.

Brandy Hare, a graduate student at Geneva College and Resident Director of Ferguson Hall, also stresses the importance of knowing early what requirements schools have. "It would have been nice to know curriculum prerequisites my junior year of college." It is often too late for seniors to learn that some classes for a graduate program are necessary. Many students she knew were caught without the undergraduate experience needed. Hare also suggested getting information about the workings of a school's financial aid program.

If the thought of talking to thirty-some rep-

resentatives seems overwhelming, students may begin by focusing on only a few schools. Meade encourages students to take advantage of resources at the Career Center Library and to investigate some schools in which they are interested. Advice for writing resumes and applications, as well as information on internships and the job search process, is also available at the Career Center.

Another Grad School Preview Fair will be held in the spring semester for those who are unable to attend this one, as well as for those who are still in need of information. While these fairs are designed to inform mainly juniors and seniors, all students are welcome. It is never too early to begin planning for the future.

### Hall of Fame recognizes nine

By Jody Miron  
STAFF WRITER

Westminster College inducted nine athletes into the 2000 Titan Sports Hall of Fame who were then recognized during halftime of the Geneva football game.

Those recognized were: Larry Bonney '67 (multiple sports), Chuck Cullison '69 (golf), John Giesmann '72 (track and cross-country), Mary Skemp Hartman '75 (basketball and volleyball), Carl Kokor (meritorious service-football), David Milliron '72 (football and track), Jerry Neff '54 (basketball), Bill Olmstead '83 (swimming), and Bob Peterson '78 (baseball).

The class was officially inducted at a banquet in Russell Dining Hall following the game. This banquet was open to anyone and was well attended by the more than 150 present, according to Athletic Director James Dafler.

The Titan Sports Hall of Fame began in 1994 and has been part of the athletic program ever since.

"Last weekend nine inductees were entered into the Titan Sports Hall of Fame for their outstanding athletic feats," said President Thomas Williamson. "The banquet held for these individuals was an emotional experience as family members joined coaches and athletes to celebrate their achievements."

### Falling leaves marks the start of yearlong fundraising season for Habitat for Humanities

By Bill Weniger  
STAFF WRITER

As fall begins and the trees lose their leaves, Habitat for Humanity workers will break out their rakes and turn those dried leaves into cold hard cash. Soon Habitat members will take donations for every yard raked in New Wilmington.

This fund-raiser is one of their biggest.

"Last year we made \$4000, a third of our goal," Assistant Chaplain Keturah Laney said. Senior Mary Ellen Busey said: "We can get up to one hundred dollars for a little tiny lawn. Sometimes people will also give us pop and candy."

There are over 150 members in Habitat, with more expected to sign up. New members must pay a \$15 fee to cover dues and to pay

for a T-shirt. Students may still participate in fund-raisers without membership, but Busey added that "members get first priority for work trips."

In addition to leaf raking, Habitat also organizes a "tent city," where members find sponsors to pay for a night spent in the quad. Habitat also sells raffle tickets for pizza and collects donations at Homecoming.

Around Halloween, members dress up and go trick-or-treating for donations. They usually end up with some candy too. For Christmas they make ornaments to sell at Vespers. Habitat also collects donations during Christmas Vespers.

The chapter decides where the proceeds from these fundraisers go. In the past they have sent money to Nicaragua to help rebuild homes.

"Sixteen hundred American dollars builds a new house in Nicaragua," Laney said. Habitat plans to send money to Nicaragua again this year to ease the effects of a bad earthquake that occurred over the summer.

Westminster's Habitat for Humanity chapter has worked with Hosanna Industries for 15 years and the Butler chapter for 10 years.

"This is all from people sharing dreams and visions for Habitat," Laney said. Habitat frequently has cooperative workdays with these organizations, where they help to build houses or renovate existing structures.

"Anyone can be involved. It's not a huge time commitment. It's whatever you can put into it," Busey said.

Upcoming Habitat workdays are Sept. 23 in Butler, Oct. 14 with Hosanna Industries and Oct. 28 in Butler.

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# AROUND THE GLOBE

## Harvard study shows 100,000 guns are kept in college dorms

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — According to a study done by the Harvard School of Public Health College, researchers estimate that there are at least 100,000 guns kept in college dorms across the nation.

This study was recently brought to the nation's attention after two violent episodes involving guns on college campuses. On Aug. 28, a University of Arkansas English professor and a graduate student were found dead in the professor's office. This incident was an apparent murder-suicide motivated by the graduate student being dropped from a doctoral program.

On Sept. 6, a former Duke University employee burst into the office of the school's president, carrying a loaded gun and a backpack containing 32 bullets. The president was not in the office at the time; no shots were fired, and no one was injured.

According to the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990, colleges are mandated to report crime statistics by Oct. 1 each year, said Cheryl Johnson of the University's Division of Public Safety.

The corresponding report, which will soon be released, states that there were three weapon possession arrests made by the University police in 1999, down from five in 1998. In addition, there were 19 weapon possession charges.

"Weapon possession charges are given to students referred to the student discipline system," Johnson said. "These are charges that are not considered as weapons arrests."

Although the numbers might seem small compared to the approximately 32,000 students, the University of Arkansas reported only four weapon possession arrests in 1999.

"People must also remember that weapon possession charges do not necessarily mean guns," said University chief of police Oliver J. Clark. There are more than 30 different items specifically mentioned that would be considered as violations under Rule 19, Section B of the Code of Policies and Regulations for University students. These items range from knives and guns to slingshots and sandbags.

"We don't have a significant problem on this campus," Clark said. "The number of arrests can't really go down. It may go up one or two in the next year."

Bob Rigdon, manager of the Gold & Diamond Exchange on University Avenue, said he has noticed an increase in gun purchases at his shop, and he said he thinks an increase in demand and interest in guns have contributed to the rise. "I think it's alarming that people are purchasing so many guns now," said Lanese Smith, a senior in LAS. "It's frightening that college students could be carrying guns around."

## Environmental briefs

### Compost heaps may hold solution

POLLOCK PINES, Calif. — When Thomas Metzger learned his mountain county spent \$6,000 a day to ship its garbage to Nevada, he was outraged. Why not get back to basics? Why not set up a big compost plant to get rid of the mess? That may astonish backyard gardeners who prize compost, but the science behind the idea is sound, simple and it doesn't stink. Not even a little. And it's catching on — with the Environmental Protection Agency, the state, University of California researchers, members of Congress, landfill operators, even with service groups who invite Metzger to deliver a 15-minute speech, then keep him for an hour answering questions. The goal is to turn the humble compost heap into a garbage-eating dynamo.

### Pelicans thrive in Chesapeake Bay

NEAR BLOODSWORTH ISLAND, Md. — Seven young pelicans, squawking angrily at the human intruders who have invaded their desolate island, try an end run around Dave Brinker. Squatting near a chest-high salt marsh elderberry, he grabs the biggest bird and thrusts it between his legs. "Grab the ring-leader and you've got everything covered," says Brinker, an ecologist with the Department of Natural Resources. Sure enough, the six remaining pelicans mill about in noisy protest, making no real effort to

escape, as Brinker and two helpers attach a metal band to one leg of each bird. As recently as the 1970s, pelicans were on the federal endangered species list, as their numbers plummeted because of the negative effects of the pesticide DDT. Small concentrations of the pesticide that were ingested as pelicans fed on fish caused them to lay eggs with thin shells or none at all.

### Pygmy sperm whale may stay captive

KEY WEST, Fla. — A baby pygmy sperm whale found stranded on a Key West beach might become the first of its species to live permanently in captivity because it might not be able to hunt for food. Marine mammal experts will decide within the next few weeks whether Summer, a 205-pound, six-foot female whale found in June, can be released to its natural habitat. Experts say the calf, which was never weaned by her mother, can't forage for food and possibly has a ruptured air sac on her head. Though a ruptured sac isn't serious in captivity, it makes deep diving impossible. Pygmy sperm whales catch squid and jellyfish at depths of more than 800 feet. Veterinarians are planning an MRI to determine the air sac's condition. If marine biologists decide that Summer can't be freed, the 11-month-old would be the only rehabilitated pygmy sperm whale in captivity. According to experts, the most time a baby pygmy sperm whale has lived in captivity after being stranded is 100 days.

## NATIONAL

### Bush, Gore camps agree on debates

WASHINGTON — Campaign aides for Al Gore and George W. Bush agreed Saturday to a series of three debates moderated by Jim Lehrer of PBS. Both sides said the format will provide more flexibility and more of a "free-flowing style" than previous debates. Both campaigns and officials from the bipartisan Commission on Presidential Debates called the new approach "historic." In a departure from the strict guidelines of past debates, the moderator has more discretion in following up on questions and allowing the candidates to continue to debate a particular topic.

### Clinton criticizes Lee detention

WASHINGTON — Nuclear scientist Wen Ho Lee's nine-month pretrial detention conflicts with America's disdain for "abusive executive authority," President Clinton said Friday as his administration came under growing criticism over the handling of the nuclear security case. Some Republicans in Congress called the Justice Department's pursuit of the Taiwan-born scientist a "fiasco" and at least one Senate hearing on the government's actions has been scheduled. The 60-year-old Taiwan-born scientist, fired from his job at the Los Alamos weapons lab in March 1999 and vilified as a suspected spy, pleaded

guilty to one count of mishandling classified material and was set free Wednesday. The government dropped 58 other felony counts that once charged him with endangering some of America's most sensitive nuclear secrets.

### Colorado fire forces evacuations

BOULDER, Colo. — Firefighters worked through the night to protect homes as erratic winds threatened to push an out-of-control 800-acre wildfire toward more than 130 homes. Officials said 80 to 100 homes were in immediate danger as firefighters and homeowners cleared brush from around houses and crews manned fire engines to stop the flames. As constantly shifting winds fanned the flames Sunday, fire managers were doubtful they could contain the blaze. The containment figure, originally estimated at about 15 percent, had been revised late Sunday to zero, said fire information officer.

George Broyles. Hundreds of residents remained evacuated from the mountain neighborhood Sunday. Some returned to chop down trees and help protect homes while others anxiously watched firefighters' efforts from nearby ridges.

### Storm Gordon hits Florida coast

CEDAR KEY, Fla. — Tropical Storm

Gordon plowed into Florida's Gulf Coast on Sunday with winds just below hurricane strength, drenching rain and a storm surge with waves over 6 feet high. Michael Loehr, operations chief for the State Emergency Operations Center said there was some flooding in southwest Florida, but no serious injuries had been reported. Wind gusts of 60 mph were reported in this rustic fishing town about 100 miles north of Tampa as the storm approached. Gordon's top sustained winds fell from 75 mph early Sunday to about 70 mph, just below the 74 mph threshold for a hurricane. About 200 Florida National Guardsmen were deployed to help in flooded areas, and schools and roads were closed in several coastal cities.

### Lawsuits accuse Ritalin makers, AMA

NEWARK, N.J. — Two lawsuits filed last week accuse the makers of the drug Ritalin and the American Psychiatric Association (AMA) of encouraging overdiagnosis of behavioral disorders in children to boost sales of the drug. Novartis Pharmaceutical Corp. and the American Psychiatric Association promoted the belief that a large number of children need to take Ritalin for attention deficit disorder or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, the lawsuits filed in New Jersey and California allege. A similar suit against

the East Hanover, N.J.-based maker of the drug and the AMA was filed earlier this year in Texas. The latest suits were filed Wednesday in state Superior Court in Hackensack and in San Diego federal court by some of the same attorneys who filed huge lawsuits against gun makers and the tobacco industry.

### Striking teachers back in class

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Under orders by a judge, striking Buffalo teachers returned to work without a contract Friday and promised to stay there until a state mediator's proposal is released next week.

The Buffalo Teachers Federation's 3,700 teachers walked out for two days last week and unexpectedly resumed the strike Thursday morning, canceling classes for 47,000 students. The city opened emergency shelters for children and day-care centers fielded desperate calls from parents. Francisco Rosario, 54, spent the afternoon at LaSalle Park helping watch his 15 grandchildren, 11 of whom normally would be in school. Supreme Court Justice Kevin Dillon sharply criticized Thursday's sudden walkout and solidified a temporary order against the walkout.

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## NATIONAL

## Fraternity found not guilty Student sells political buttons to raise money for education

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — Freshman year in college is a time of new beginnings, new friends and new experiences. For one University of Iowa student in 1995, however, it was the beginning of the end.

Matthew Garofalo, at the time a 19-year-old pledge at the University of Iowa's Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, died from an alcohol overdose in September 1995.

Last week, on Sept. 7 — exactly five years after Garofalo's death — the Iowa Supreme Court ruled that the fraternity was not responsible for the death of the pledge.

According to Sgt. Scott Friedlein of the Champaign Police Department, if a similar incident were to occur in Illinois, the fraternity would most likely not be held responsible.

Like Iowa, the state of Illinois has a social-host liability law, which protects the host — in the Iowa case, a fraternity — from liability in the event of death or injury related to alcohol overdose, Friedlein said. Unless the fraternity were to show extreme negligence and allow the person intoxicated to operate a vehicle, for example, the fraternity would not be found responsible.

Tom Betz, a staff attorney for Student Legal Services, pointed out that these laws apply to house and apartment parties as well, and are not solely aimed at the Greek system.

"If a fraternity were to charge people

money for admittance into the house and then serve alcohol, they risk losing the protection the social-host liability law gives them," Betz said. "They would then have to follow the same laws as a licensed establishment, though being unlicensed, they risk being punished for that as well."

He cited the Dramshop Act, which places responsibility on licensed establishments for knowingly serving alcohol to someone clearly intoxicated.

"When you have something like (the Dramshop Act), it causes the fraternity to watch over things more closely, but it makes a third party responsible for someone else's behavior," he said.

The Iowa case closely mirrors another filed in the Champaign County circuit court in 1986. William Quinn, then an 18-year-old pledge in the Sigma Rho Chapter of Beta Theta Pi fraternity, became dangerously intoxicated at a fraternity event. He alleged that his blood-alcohol level had reached a near-fatal level at its peak, approximately 0.40, the case stated.

The case was dismissed by the Appellate Court of Illinois, Fourth District, which ruled that negligence was found on the part of the individual, more so than on the part of the fraternity.

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — George W. Bush and Al Gore are paying for Brian Richards' college education.

He sells campaign buttons at political rallies to earn money for school.

"Of course, this year I took the year off, it being an election year and everything," he said.

Richards said the money he expects to earn this election season — about \$30,000 — will be enough to cover part of his tuition to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

He has been following the candidates to campaign events since April, selling buttons to supporters in about 50 cities so far this election year.

"I've been just about everywhere I can go," he said at the Bush rally in Indianapolis Sept. 6. "I'm willing to go as far as I can go in a car."

Many other souvenir vendors follow campaigns of both parties selling memorabilia to supporters who want mementos of their trip to a political rally or are looking for a way to express their loyalty to a candidate.

Daniel Richards, Brian's older brother, has been in the business for 20 years.

"My grandpa and his grandpa started working campaigns in the early '30s selling buttons," he said.

He runs a wholesale company in Springfield, Ill., that specializes in buttons and other gifts like T-shirts and lapel pins for both the presidential and congressional races. He said working political events has given him a chance to see the country.

"You get to see the American people come out for something that carries a lot of major importance," he said. "You get to see both sides of the story, you get to see voter turnout, you get to see who's coming out to support who, the different speeches — what they're going to do for Americans."

Brian Richards said his work has drawn compliments from candidates themselves, like Republican vice presidential nominee Dick Cheney.

"Mr. Cheney, I gave him a button once," Richards said. "He said, 'Thank you very much, son. That's what I like to see, young entrepreneurs out here. You guys really know how to get the crowd pumped up.'"

## Group asks Bush to sign pledge

AUSTIN, Texas — Activists for the disabled requested at a press conference Thursday that Republican presidential candidate Gov. George W. Bush sign a pledge that the group said would improve conditions for the disabled.

Fewer than 15 activists presented the letter, written by the American Association of People with Disabilities, to officials at the Bush campaign headquarters. The letter calls for increased outreach, technical assistance and adequate funding to those with disabilities.

The group also requested a meeting with the governor, who was campaigning in California.

Rona Schnall, an activist who suffered a brain injury, said Republicans are attempting to weaken the Americans with Disabilities Act, which was signed into law 10 years ago by former President George Bush.

The Texas Republican Platform includes amending the ADA by excluding from coverage those people with infectious diseases, substance addiction, learning disabilities and behavior disorders.

She added that if the law is not preserved,

many disabled people will lose critical care.

"ADA serves to promote the civil rights of the majority of Americans," Schnall said. "Forty-nine percent of us can't walk a mile without assistance."

Ray Sullivan, a Bush spokesman, said the governor refuses to sign any pledges while campaigning but offered to have campaign policy advisers meet privately with the group. The activists declined the meeting because members of the media were not allowed to be present.

Sandra Murgia, president of Coalition of Texans with Disabilities, said Bush's indifference toward their cause will make it necessary for the group to continue pushing for his support of the ADA and a meeting with a national disabled citizens organization.

She also said that meeting with Bush advisers Thursday would not have made an impact because the media was not allowed to attend.

Sullivan, however, said Bush has made a firm commitment to the disabled, promising to spend more than \$1 billion over five years to increase access for the disabled.

## Student harrasses over the Net

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — A Texas A&M University student was arrested Friday and charged with sending harassing Internet messages.

James Fenner Montier, a junior business administration major, admitted to the University Police Department (UPD) that he sent the messages to a woman via a Web site created as a memorial for her 14-year-old daughter, who died in a 1999 car accident, said Bob Wiatt, director of UPD.

"We contacted [Montier] Friday," Wiatt said. "He admitted doing it, and we arrested him."

Wiatt said the first occurrence was an "obscene" text message sent on Aug. 8. A second message was sent later that day and included a "very horrible" image in addition to a text description of Montier's sexual fantasies, which included the girl's corpse.

"The text that accompanied that [second message] was about the most revolting thing I have ever seen in my life," said Wiatt, a retired FBI veteran. "He was talking about what he was doing with her daughter."

Montier could not be reached for comment.

Wiatt said the girl's mother contacted him on Aug. 17 and claimed that the message

came from an A&M lab.

Wiatt said the woman's claim was investigated and both messages were traced to the A&M campus. The first was sent from Montier's residence hall room in Hobby Hall, a Northside coeducational residence hall.

The second message, sent later that day, was sent from the student worker office in the Student Computing Center (SCC), Wiatt said.

Wiatt said UPD investigators were able to pinpoint Montier because he was logged on to the computer from which the message originated at the time it was sent.

Wiatt said Montier intended the messages as a prank, but discovered he had sent Internet messages to other people.

"We were able to verify that [Montier] sent similar messages to a lady in Indiana and England, who also had Web sites for their child who had been killed recently," he said.

Montier's case is the first Internet harassment case to be prosecuted in Brazos County. Montier has been charged with a Class-B misdemeanor, which could carry a punishment of 180 days in jail and a \$2,000 fine. The case is being prosecuted by the Brazos County attorney's office.

Wiatt said Montier posted \$10,000 bail and was released shortly after his arrest.

## White supremacist judgement will not cause fall of Aryan Nations

MISSOULA, Mont. — The recent judgment against white supremacist leader Richard Butler may cause the loss of a compound, but not an ideology, says Ken Toole, president of the Montana Human Rights Network.

"The lawsuit will definitely hasten the downfall of Aryan Nations," Toole said. "But that's an ideology that's pretty resilient. We're talking about a movement, not just a group."

For now, that movement is still going strong and the possibility of relocation to Montana is very real, according to University of Montana sociology professor Robert Balch.

If Aryan Nations were to lose their headquarters, Balch says the network of white supremacists will survive, but it will be the end of an era.

Toole said that if Aryan Nations were to lose their Idaho compound, there is a good chance that Montana could be their new home. When asked what areas in particular could be targeted, Toole said Thompson Falls and Polson because of the financial assistance from supporters in the areas.

On Sept. 7, 82-year-old Butler was found negligent for letting security guards at his compound in Hayden Lake, Idaho, assault two passing motorists. He was ordered to pay

\$6.3 million in punitive and compensatory damages.

Balch said he wouldn't be surprised if the ruling led to more underground terrorist activities, known as leaderless resistance.

"Leaderless resistance occurs when members of a organized, dues-paying, high-profile group, such as Aryan Nations, branch off," Balch said.

Balch has been taking UM sociology students to Aryan Nations compounds since 1991 to do field research on the racist organization. He said, after recently looking back on his notes from past trips, he noticed one thing was consistent — the lack of security at the

compound.

"They provide no training for the guards, no background checks are done," Balch said. "It lets loose cannons in."

Despite the lack of security observed over the years at the compound, Balch hasn't had any problems on the Aryan Nations' grounds and feels safe taking students to do research.

Balch said when he first began visiting Aryan Nations, Butler was predicting a race war by the year 2000. At the July 2000 Aryan Nations World Congress, Butler, who Balch says appeared tired and acted defeated, admitted he didn't think he would see white victory in his lifetime.



## INTERNATIONAL

## Duchess of York's assistant under investigation for murder

LONDON - Police last Wednesday arrested the Duchess of York's former personal assistant on suspicion of murder after her millionaire boyfriend was found stabbed to death at their London home.

After a two-day search, police found 33-year-old Jane Andrews sitting in her car which was parked, at dawn, by a motorway in Cornwall, southwest England. Officers said

she was in a distressed state.

The body of her boyfriend, Tom Cressman, was found by a work associate. Police said he died from a single stab wound to the chest.

Cressman, 39, ran a business supplying covers for classic cars and was a business partner of former racing driver Sir Stirling Moss. Andrews and Cressman had been

together for two years.

Andrews was the duchess's dresser and accounts manager, and also a close companion who traveled with her on foreign trips. She had since worked in London's fashion industry and for a leading jewelry store.

Wednesday's Mirror newspaper quoted the duchess, formerly known as Sarah Ferguson, as saying she was "overwhelmed

and shocked" at Cressman's murder and the ensuing police hunt for Andrews, who worked for her from 1988 to 1997.

The duchess, or Fergie as she is popularly known, married the queen's second son, Andrew, in 1986. The couple divorced in 1992.

## Spain's farmers and fishermen protest quickly rising fuel costs

MADRID, Spain - Thousands of fishermen and farmers throughout Spain shut down seaports, surrounded wholesale fish markets and blockaded fuel distribution centers Wednesday to protest rising fuel costs.

Almost 200 farmers on tractors and in trucks shut off fuel delivery to parts of southern and eastern Spain when they surrounded three fuel distribution centers early Wednesday. The centers, in Lerida, Malaga, Cordoba, distribute fuel to much of Andalusia and the province of Jaen.

On the Balearic Islands, about 60 fishing boats blockaded the ports of Palma de Mallorca and Alcudia, promising to continue indefinitely.

The blockade, which shuts out even passenger ferries, will "interfere with boat traffic for as long as we can hold out," said Pep Bonnin, spokesman for the Mallorcan Fisherman's Guild. "We're at the edge of an economic abyss."

The blockade comes a day after fishermen ended a five-day block of the port of Barcelona. On Tuesday, fishermen briefly

blockaded other ports to stop oil shipments but dispersed after several hours.

In the eastern city of Valencia and the southern city of Huelva Wednesday, about 500 fishermen and supporters shut down roads leading to regional wholesale fish markets and turned away shipments of fish and seafood. Television showed groups of enraged fishermen shouting at and shoving truck drivers trying to deliver produce to the market before dawn.

Many of the protesting organizations now demand fuel price cuts and refuse to discuss other measures to soften the effects of rising costs.

Diesel fuel sold to farmers at reduced rates has gone up in price 55 percent since August of last year to about \$1.70 a gallon.

For average consumers, taxes in Spain account for roughly 58 percent of the price at the pump.

Earlier protests this month in France ended after the government agreed to tax concessions. Truckers and farmers in Britain staged similar protests.

## Russian military sends soldiers to curb violence in Chechnya

NAZRAN, Russia - The Russian military sent reinforcements to pursue rebels in the southern mountains of Chechnya after a clash that killed one Russian soldier and wounded eight others, officials said Wednesday.

The fighting broke out Tuesday near the town of Zhani-Vedeno, in the Vedeno region southeast of the capital Grozny, when rebels attacked a military convoy, said a Russian government spokesman in the northern Chechen town of Gudermes.

Russian positions in the region were attacked 13 times since Tuesday and additional troops have been dispatched there as ambushes have become more frequent, the spokesman said. Russian helicopter gunships bombed the district on Wednesday morning.

Rebels also attacked a Russian checkpoint in the southern Itum-Kale district, near the border with Georgia. The attack was repelled, the military said without giving details of casualties.

Despite Russia's repeated assurances that rebels are on the verge of defeat, the government's spokesman on Chechnya, Sergei Yastrzhembsky, conceded Wednesday that

the situation remains tense, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

But the head of Chechnya's pro-Russian administration, Akhmad Kadyrov, asserted that the war was nearly over and Russia could begin withdrawing its forces.

"A situation has formed in Chechnya that allows a gradual return of troops to the barracks," Kadyrov was quoted as saying by the Interfax news agency.

In addition to nightly attacks on federal positions, the militants have been laying mines along roads and railways in the break-away republic. The military said that four Chechens had blown themselves up on Wednesday as they attempted to plant a mine near a highway in the Kurchaloi district of eastern Chechnya, near the border of Dagestan.

In Moscow, the Federal Security Service said it had successfully staged a sting operation on Monday and Tuesday to disband a group of Chechens who were allegedly financing the rebels. Five Chechens were detained in the operation.

## Russians mourn 118 that died aboard the nuclear sub Kursk

MOSCOW - Following Russian Orthodox tradition, Russians on Wednesday marked the 40th day after the sinking of the nuclear submarine Kursk, mourning the deaths of its 118 sailors and officers.

Russian officials say most of the Kursk's crew were probably killed instantly when the submarine was shattered by an explosion on Aug. 12. But some of the sailors may have remained alive for hours or even days after the disaster, as the submarine lay on the floor of the Barents Sea, officials have said.

Mourning services for the sailors were

held on Wednesday across Russia. Priests chanted liturgies in a chapel on the military base of Vidyayev, out of which the Kursk sailed on its last voyage. And families of the seamen packed churches in the city of Kursk, for which the submarine was named and from which many of the crew came.

A memorial for the Kursk sailors was unveiled Wednesday in the northern town of Severodvinsk, where the submarine was built, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported. The marker is a granite slab set on the dunes outside the town.

## "Beach in Pourville" painting stolen from Poland museum

WARSAW, Poland - The painting "Beach in Pourville" by French impressionist Claude Monet, has been stolen from a museum in western Poland, police said Tuesday.

Workers at the Poznan branch of the National Museum discovered Tuesday afternoon that someone had cut the painting from its frame and replaced it with a copy, spokesman Andrzej Borowiak said.

The painting is valued at \$1 million.

Police experts were working to determine when the theft took place.

All border crossings were immediately alerted to try to prevent the work - Poland's only Monet - from being smuggled out of the country, Borowiak said.

Monet painted several canvasses of Pourville, in Normandy. The coasts of Normandy were a frequent subject for Monet, who depicted the beaches and dramatic cliffs there in sunshine and in storms.

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# YOUR HEALTH

## Health Center offers depression screening; open to campus

By Judy Duda  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

We all have our mood swings and feel sad, lonely and depressed at times. This is certainly normal and part of our humanity. Emotions are great. It's how we determine we are alive and well, or not so well. However, when we experience uncomfortable emotions, our first impulse is to want to run from them and make them go away. Who likes to be angry, sad, lonely or afraid? No one. These feelings, if we listen carefully to them, usually tell us some-

thing. They are little clues or nudges that should prompt us to figure out what is going on. This is all part of the process of self-awareness: knowing who we are, what makes us tick, what or who presses our buttons.

Now if you've been feeling sad for a long time, more than two weeks straight, without any "ups," you could be experiencing some depression. Here's a list of other signs of depression that can help identify it:

Feelings of emptiness  
Thoughts like, "What's the use?" or, "My life is meaningless"  
Feelings of helplessness, worthlessness,

hopelessness

Loss of interest in your usual activities, things that generally make you happy

Sleeping too much or too little

Changes in appetite

Decreased energy, fatigue, and feeling "slowed down"

Thoughts of death or suicide, or questioning why you were born

Restlessness, irritability

Difficulty concentrating, remembering, or making decisions

On October 5th, the Counseling Center will be offering free, confidential screenings

for depression where you can fill out a quick self-test and talk with the Counselor, Babs Quincy, about your personal situation. Even if you don't have depression and are just going through a couple of bad days, you are invited to come and take advantage of the program. You may learn something that will help you or a friend, roommate or family member in the future.

The screenings are being held from 10a.m. to 4p.m. in the Counseling Center on Oct. 5th. Call Ext. 7340 for an appointment, or just stop in. It should take no more than 30 minutes.

## ACL injuries more common among women athletes than men

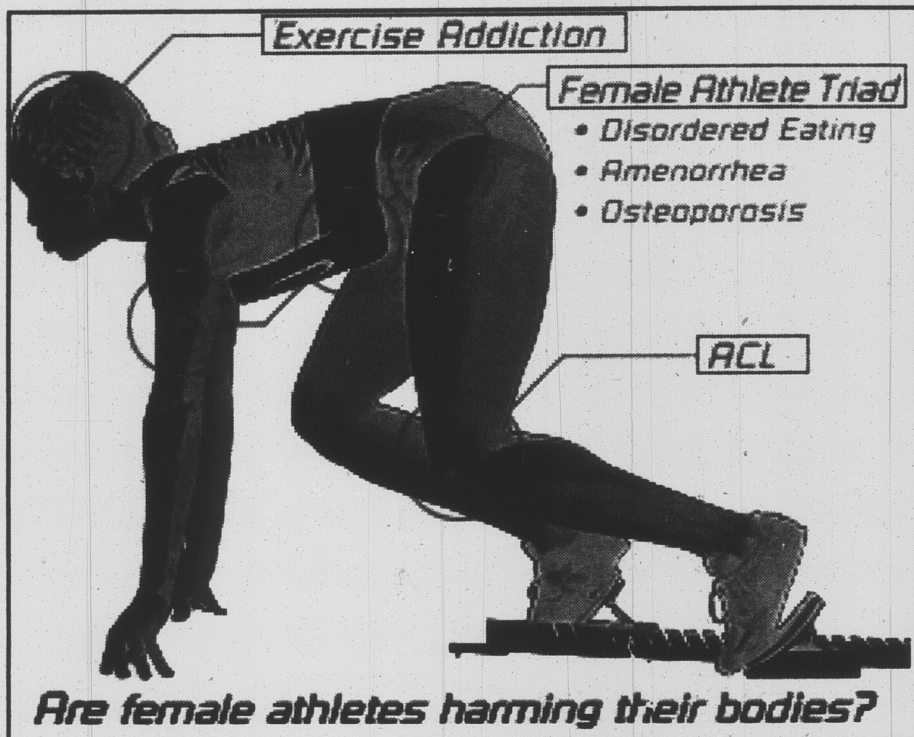
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There are many things you might wish to have in common with Picabo Street and Brandi Chastain, but blowing your ACL (anterior cruciate ligament) isn't one of them. Unlike stiff knees that force you to hobble those first tender steps out of bed the day after a tough workout, ACL injuries are debilitating. In fact, even after the required surgery and six to eight months of rehab, ACL injuries just might be one of the most life-altering events to strike women, according to Connie Bauman, Associate Director of Wellness/Sports Medicine and Associate Professor of Physical Education, Recreation and Athletics at Wellesley College.

The ACL is one of many ligaments that help stabilize your knees and prevent them from hyperextending. Thus, when the ACL goes, you become a hyperextended disaster. Unlike overuse injuries such as shinsplints, or contact injuries like broken bones, ACLs usually blow from pivoting sharply, landing poorly or trying to stop when you're cruising ahead at full tilt, Bauman says. And unlike the ambiguity of whether you really need to see a doctor when the above-mentioned pains strike, you definitely know when you've blown your ACL. If the audible pop of the band doesn't get you, the excruciating pain and swelling will. And despite the fact that

you most often hear about pro basketball and football players recovering from ACL injuries, women actually blow their ACLs two to 10 times more frequently than men, Bauman says.

Though there is no evidence to support exactly why ACL injuries affect women more often than men, plenty of theories abound. Evidence suggests that men's quad-to-hamstring strength ratio is higher than that of women. Thus, some doctors think that building up the quadriceps and hamstring muscles helps protect the ACL from hyperextending. Other researchers are exploring the possibility that changes in hormonal balances (none other than estrogen) may affect how muscles around the ligament twitch at certain times during the cycle. They wonder if women blow their ACLs more often when they're menstruating. While yet another group of researchers believes that the "Q" angle, the angle formed between your hip and knee where the ligament attaches, is generally larger in women than men, thus allowing more of the motion that causes torn ligaments. Still others blame it not on physiology but on gender. When you were in gym class, did your instructors spend as much time teaching you how to slide into second? While you can't exactly train yourself to avoid hyperextending, you should be very careful to follow instructions about proper positions when trying new exercises and sports.



Are female athletes harming their bodies?

Potential problems for female athletes.

## New anti-binge drinking slogan comes to campuses nationwide

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — There is a newly popular anti-binge drinking campaign hitting campuses: "Everybody is not doing it."

The Social Norms Media Campaign was first successfully implemented at Northern Illinois University in the 1989-90 academic year. In nine years, NIU's binge drinking has gone down 44 percent.

The program, which several Michigan universities are now using, centers on promoting the number of responsible drinkers that exist on college campuses.

By using statistics, it challenges the commonly held perception that most students are binge drinkers.

"If the perception is that everyone is doing it, then everyone will do it," said Mary Jo Desprez, health education coordinator at Eastern Michigan University, which recently brought the program to campus.

Desprez said in a recent EMU survey, 96

percent of students assumed that 96 percent of students drink. Through posters, screen savers, messages on dining menus, newspaper ads and stickers on condoms, the school publicizes that 30 percent of their students choose not to drink at all.

"So many people believe that binge drinking is a rite of passage for college students," Desprez said.

Michigan State University has been employing the Social Norms Media Campaign for a year. It has yet to analyze the data, but the outlook seems promising, said Jasmine Greenamy, lead health educator with Alcohol and Other Drugs at Olin Health Center.

Greenamy echoed the sentiments of her colleagues at EMU saying, "High-risk drinking is not the norm. (MSU wants) to combat that image."

## Death of Hopkins University undergrad caused by drugs

BALTIMORE — The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in New York City is still investigating the July 22 death of Johns Hopkins University undergraduate Jamie Wiest, 21.

According to the New York City Police Department, however, drugs were likely involved.

Wiest, a rising senior and Biomedical Engineering major, collapsed at 6:50 a.m. at Twilo, a club on West 27th Street that was holding an all-night party. Paramedics rushed him to St. Vincent's Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead at 7:55 a.m.

Ellen Borakove, director of public affairs for the Chief Medical Examiner, said that Dr. Barbara Sampson, who performed the autopsy, is awaiting test results before declaring the cause of death.

"We're still pending," Borakove said. "It can take anywhere from six to eight weeks to get the test results back."

Eyewitnesses told police that they saw Wiest take a drug — ecstasy, according to some — shortly before he passed out on the floor of the club, which is a converted warehouse located in Chelsea.

Peter Sullivan, a lawyer for Twilo, disputed the claims that Wiest ingested ecstasy, a drug that can lead to overheating, an increased heart rate and dehydration.

He told the New York Times that Wiest took gamma hydroxybutyrate (GHB), a popular form of the "date rape drug."

New York City attempted to shut down Twilo two years ago, after New York University student Brigitte Murray died in March 1998 of an ecstasy overdose at the club.

During the undercover investigation that followed, police made 18 drug buys at the club. Twilo, however, remains open, pending the outcome of another city lawsuit.



# FEATURE

## We are the people in your neighborhood

This week featuring: Daniel Raymond Brownlee and Dr. Russell Martin

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR

**Name:** Daniel Raymond Brownlee  
**Hometown:** Conneaut Lake, PA  
**Nickname:** "Brownlee" "Beef" and "Muff-daddy"  
**Year at WC:** Senior  
**Major:** Political Science  
**Pet Peeve:** Girls in tight clothing

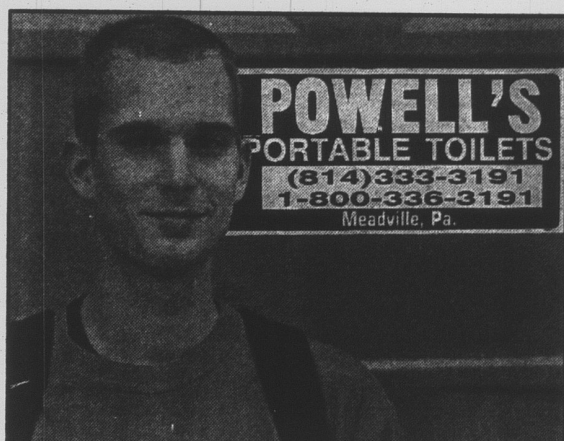


Photo by Sara Bozich  
Daniel Brownlee

**Name:** Dr. Russell Martin  
**Hometown:** Neville Island, PA  
**Nickname:** "Not one I want to share, but Joe Balczon knows it."  
**Year at WC:** 5th year  
**Department:** History  
**Pet Peeve:** "Papers that aren't stapled together. I can't stand that."

**SB:** If you could have three superpowers, what would you want them to be?

**Martin:** The ability to grow the hair on my head back, the ability to beat anyone at gold, and the ability to read other people's hearts so that I could be a "super-friend" to them.

**SB:** I just watched *Stand By Me* for the first time the other night. Who was your best friend when you were 12? Where is he now? Did you guys ever go searching for a dead body?

**Martin:** Surendra Oudit, and he is still my best friend today...Dead bodies, no, but we spent a lot of time looking for live ones - female ones.

**SB:** What is your favorite board game?

**Martin:** Monopoly because Suren's nephew always makes me play. And it's nice to pretend you're rich, especially on a Westminster paycheck.

**SB:** I wish the Westminster College offered a Home-Ec class so I could learn to make something besides mac 'n cheese for dinner. What class do you wish WC offered?

**Martin:** Old Church Slavonic-it's a language.

**SB:** What do you feel is your greatest talent?

**Martin:** Being a dad.

**SB:** If you could have three superpowers, what would you want them to be?

**Beef:** X-ray vision for obvious reasons, invincibility for my drinking and smoking habits, and Ryan "Paco" Mathew's super ability to pick up chicks because he's got good game and he closes a lot of deals.

**SB:** I just watched *Stand By Me* for the first time the other night.

**Beef:** Who was your best friend when you were 12? Where is he now? Did you guys ever go searching for a dead body?

**Beef:** The bottle...just kidding-Nate Sowry. He's now at the University of Pittsburgh. Dead body-no, but one time I threw a dead chipmunk at him.

**SB:** What is your favorite board game?

**Beef:** Any game of...chance.

**SB:** I wish the Westminster College offered a Home-Ec class so I could learn to make something besides mac 'n cheese for dinner. What class do you wish WC offered?

**Beef:** Any class that would help me with my game or my "ups."

**SB:** What do you feel is your greatest talent?

**Beef:** Considering my behavior these last three years, probably the ability to cheat death.

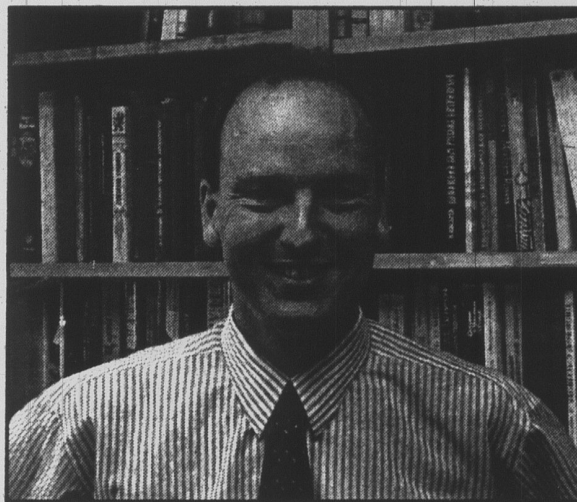


Photo by Sara Bozich  
Dr. Russel Martin

## A look at the place we live in

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR

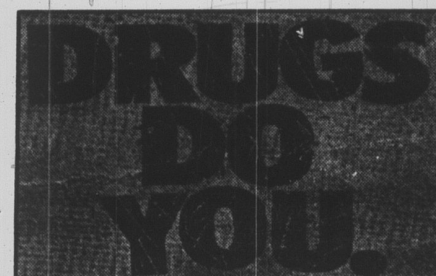
Perhaps I just have off-campus fever, but goshdarnit, isn't this town cute? I think I truly noticed that this weekend, now that the leaves have begun to change and fall. Autumn is the most gorgeous season in my opinion, and especially up here. Heck, that's why I chose to come to this school. When I visited my senior year of high school, it was fall break and there weren't any students up here, just the beautiful campus at the height of the season. That's what got me.

We have all complained about the lack of activities in town. I think we could stand to have a movie theater and a bowling alley, but otherwise there are some things we should begin to appreciate. Sure, last year I wrote about having to stand in line behind the Amish in the grocery store, but they really add a scenic flavor to the town. I mean, people actually visit here on purpose just to gawk at their under-civilized culture. I live relatively close to Lancaster, PA so they aren't all new to me, but I've had much closer experiences with them here. While we barely have any minorities on campus, we do have this other society to learn about.

So anyway, I was walking through town on Saturday and I noticed how bustling it was-Amish folk and townspeople scurrying along between markets and stores. And then Sunday comes along and New Wilmington practically looks like a ghost town. But somehow that seemed attractive to me too. The tree-lined streets, the old buildings, and the quaint little businesses are aesthetically pleasing to a small-town-lover like me. The best word to describe it, and my favorite vocabulary word for the past week, is "cozy." Maybe I've just been extra comfortable lately, but that is how it all feels - cozy, small, warm and friendly.

Also, the Fireman's Auction is coming up. This can be a real bargain-finder. Last year I got a bowling bowl and bag for \$5 and my friends found a bunch of paintings and framed pictures to decorate their apartment with. The small gift shops in town are another thing we tend to neglect. I have been going to school here for over three years now and finally, only a week ago, went into one. Maybe I'm just getting old and mom-like already, but it was really kind of cool. They had all kinds of little things to decorate your room with or to buy your mother or grandmother for Christmas.

Like I said, maybe I'm so enamored with this little town because I have off-campus fever. But if you really think about it, there is so little we know about this place in which we live. We spend more time here than we do at home and don't even know what kind of stores there are in town. There are so many charming little shops and the foliage is so attractive this time of year. Perhaps we should learn to appreciate the finer aspects of small-town living.



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# SPORTS

## Men's soccer improves record to 2-2-1

By Brian Wilson  
STAFF WRITER

The men's soccer team extended their winning streak to three games, improving their overall record to 2-2-1 during two games this past weekend.

The Titan's traveled to Pitt-Greensburg Sept. 16 where they played through scoreless regulation and overtime periods. According to head coach Girish Thakar, "Pitt packed behind the ball and used every opportunity to clear it downfield. They made little offensive effort."

Thakar added that his team played solid and "dominated" the game even though they had to play the second half of regulation and the entire OT period short one player due to an ejection.

Junior goalkeeper Jim Hauser gave an outstanding performance to earn his first shutout of the season. Hauser stopped all 12 shots fired at him.

On Sept. 17, the team traveled to Allegheny College and scored what Thakar called, "The biggest win in years." Allegheny, fresh off of a 14-2-2 season, boasts one of the top programs in western Pennsylvania.

Sophomore goalie Kevin Humberston started the momentum by stopping a penalty shot in the 10th minute. One minute later, sophomore Tony Arrigo scored on an assist from freshman Matt Roser. Roser scored his own goal 20 minutes into the second half on an assist from fellow freshman Brian Glass.

With 12 minutes left in regulation, Allegheny scored back-to-back goals. The



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Two of the men's team congratulate each other on another goal.

Titans answered one minute later with a goal by senior Jake Joyce off a corner-kick by sophomore Jimmy Greene and an assist by senior Matt Nichols.

Thakar is very happy with the team's ability to go to the bench for depth. Seventeen of 21 players saw time in the Allegheny game, with major contributions by the freshmen

class.

This weekend the team travels to Buffalo, N.Y. to face Hilbert College and D'Youville College.

Thakar's philosophy for the season is simple, "If we play as well as we can, one game at a time, who knows how much we can accomplish."

## Geneva comes out on top over Titans



Photo by Courtney Behn

The long-time rivalry between Geneva and Westminster made for a great game.

By Mike Power  
STAFF WRITER

For the 103rd time, the Westminster football team strapped on their helmets to play rival Geneva College on home turf Sept. 16.

Both teams came into the game undefeated (Westminster 1-0 and Geneva 2-0) on the season. Geneva came into the game ranked ninth nationally in the NAIA. The Hornets took the first lead of the game when QB Jeremy Lacaria found WR Marko Thomas in the end zone for a 42-yard touchdown pass. Westminster's defense blocked the extra point attempt.

Junior ILB Eric Witt anchored the Titan defense with seven solo tackles, five assisted tackles and one quarterback sack on the afternoon.

As Witt and the rest of the Titan defense held Geneva in check, the offense began to click. The Westminster offense scored 17 unanswered points. The Titans first scoreboard appearance came from a touchdown pass from QB James Graham to senior WR Brian Lipiello for 23 yards. Junior kicker Jon McCartney added three more points as he connected on a career long 38-yard field goal. The last score of the half came again from QB Graham as he carried the football in from one

yard out.

The second half promised more of the same heated football. Both teams traded touchdowns in the third quarter. With Westminster leading 24-12, McCartney kicked off to Thomas and after an apparent special teams screw-up, Thomas returned the kick 94 yards for his third touchdown of the game.

Titan offense immediately answered by driving the ball to the Geneva one-yard line. After three consecutive failed running plays, the Titans settled for an 18-yard McCartney field goal. Senior running back Jason Bailie commented on the Geneva goal line stand, "We tried to sneak the ball up the middle twice with Jimmy [Graham]. They had the middle stacked, so we tried a different run play. That didn't work either."

It looked as if the Titans had the game in the bag with a 27-19 lead late in the fourth quarter, but Geneva found momentum and scored with 5:46 left in the game. Thomas scored his fourth and final touchdown to tie the game.

On Westminster's next possession they fumbled the ball away to Geneva and left them with a 20-yard field goal attempt. Geneva made good on the kick and took their first lead.

Westminster had one drive to score. Graham led the offense down the field on an 11-play drive, landing the Titans on the 15-yard line. The game's outcome rested on the leg of the flawless-so-far McCartney, but he kicked wide left, missing the 32-yard attempt leaving the score at 30-27 in Geneva's favor.

## Browns, Steelers game controversy

By Meredith Etcher  
Sports Editor

Westminster College has the distinction of being located between the cities of Cleveland and Pittsburgh. Unfortunately, this causes fierce rivalries when opposing professional football teams are playing, as was the case last Sunday when the Browns beat the Steelers. For those people that did not catch the exciting game, the Browns caught a break after the Steelers' last offensive play in Cleveland's 23-20 win.

The league admitted to the Steelers yesterday that referee Bob McElwee should have stopped the clock following Courtney Brown's sack of Kent Graham with 11 seconds left. McElwee let the clock run, and time ran out before the Steelers could line up and try a 27-yard field goal that could have sent the game into overtime.

According to the NFL rulebook, the referee should stop the clock "any time the player who originally takes the snap is tackled behind the line of scrimmage."

In the final two minutes, the rule is more specific. The rules state the "game clock shall be restarted as soon as the ball has been spotted for the (next play), at which time the referee is to give the ready signal. In all cases, a minimum of five seconds must have elapsed before the ball is made ready for play."

In other words, once Graham was sacked, the clock should have stopped. McElwee then would place the ball. The clock would not have started for at least five seconds. Conceivably, the Steelers could have had time to kick a game-tying field goal.

"They're supposed to give me five seconds, I believe, after a sack," quarterback Kent Graham told the Pittsburgh media. "But maybe when you're playing on the road they don't give you that luxury I guess."

Browns director of football operations Dwight Clark said, "Sometimes the calls go your way and sometimes the calls go against you."

Would the Steelers have been able to get the field-goal unit on the field? There is a good chance.

Graham was tackled with 11 seconds left. Figure one or two seconds for McElwee to stop the clock (as the rules require), and the clock stops with nine. At that point, the Steelers' field-goal unit could have started to run on the field. Then add the five seconds required by rule.

That conceivably could have given Pittsburgh 14 seconds to line up and kick. Last season in Pittsburgh, the Browns let the clock run as they kicked the game-winning field goal. Coach Chris Palmer sent the unit on with 18 seconds to go, and Phil Dawson kicked the game-winner with two seconds left.

What might have worked against Pittsburgh was the chaotic way the field-goal unit ran on the field. The Steelers never got in position to kick, and when the game ended, one of their players was midway between the bench and the ball, walking slowly to the sideline. The admission of the league also did not change the fact that Graham should have thrown the ball away on the final play rather than take a sack.

In retrospect, all that can be said is that the game was thrilling and came down to a last second play. One of the drawbacks of sports is that the referees have the final say, no matter what the call. It is an aspect of competition that will be argued about for years to come, but cannot change.



## Titans extend record to 9-6 at Invitational

By Megan Elias  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan volleyball team won four of six matches at the Muskingum College Invitational Sept. 15 and 16, extending their overall record to 9-6 on the season.

The Titan spikers defeated Washington and Jefferson 17-15, 15-7, and 15-4 in their first match on Friday. Sophomore outside hitter Monica Asher and senior Brooke Engles led the team to victory with 10 kills each. Junior outside hitter Shannon Simmons and sophomore middle hitter Katie Spehar added 8 and 6 kills respectively. Engles posted 18 digs, while Spehar added five solo blocks. Sophomore middle hitter Suzanne Fitz posted 5 solo blocks and sophomore setter Carolee Reed added 31 assists in the win.

Muskingum topped the second match 15-8, 15-3, and 15-12 in a defeat over the Titans. Junior outside hitter Meredith Etcher and Spehar each had nine kills. Spehar also posted seven blocks. Simmons added eight kills, and Reed 19 assists. Freshman setter Jessica Young posted 15 assists in the loss.

The Titans rallied to a 15-7, 15-10, and 15-12 win over Franklin and a 15-6, 15-8, and 15-2 win over Lynchburg on Saturday.

In the Franklin match, Fitz posted team-

best totals of 11 kills and four solo blocks. Engles had nine kills and Simmons had 17 digs. Reed added 25 assists and Asher served up 3 aces in the win.

Simmons led the way in the victory over Lynchburg with team-high 14 kills. Spehar tallied 12 kills and four solo blocks and Reed posted 24 assists. Engles added 21 digs to the win.

The Titans met Franklin again in the semifinals and won 15-10, 15-11, 13-15, and 15-2. Asher led the Titans with 18 kills while Simmons and Fitz each added 14. Reed posted a career-high 54 assists. Simmons added 22 digs.

In the championship round the Titans fell to host Muskingum 15-3, 15-9, and 15-6. Simmons had five kills in the loss with 5 kills. Reed added 16 assists.

Of the Titans' effort, Spehar said: "We played with much more belief in ourselves

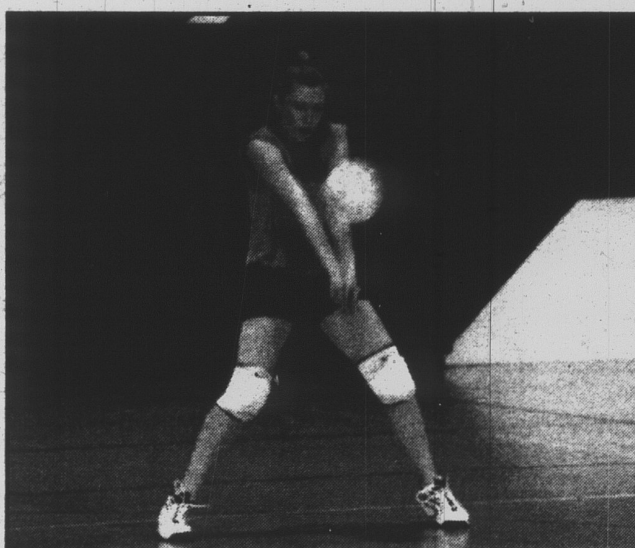


Photo By  
Monica Asher passes a ball during warmups. The Titans won four games at the Muskingum Invitational.

this past weekend, and the few times we lost were when we questioned ourselves. Once we establish the confidence we need, our talent and hard work will make us a very hard team to beat."

## Titans defeat Bethany, 5-4

By Miranda Neill  
STAFF WRITER

The women's tennis team started off this season on the good foot with a 5-4 overall win over Bethany College Sept. 14. Senior Ellen Johnston said, "Our sport is very demanding. We practice two hours a day and travel every Tuesday and Thursday to games from now until the middle of October." Johnston is the lone senior on the team, which is comprised of three juniors, three sophomores, and three freshmen. Johnston doesn't worry that the team lacks experience, saying, "We have a great team, in our new division, we have a better chance of winning and this year we are preparing the new kids to be the best." The team is now 1-0.

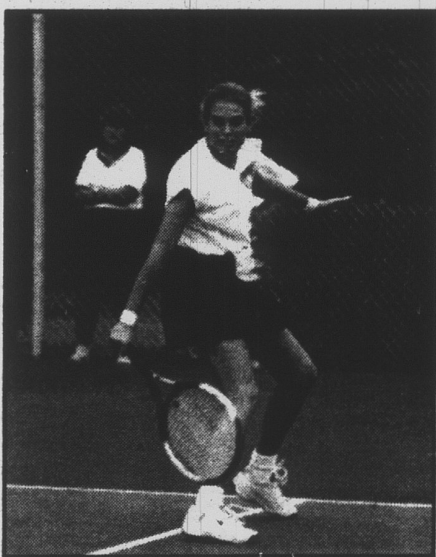


Photo by Courtney Behm  
The tennis team began its season on a good note beating Bethany 5-4.

## Cross country teams place in top two at Penn State Behrend

By Alyson Karg  
STAFF WRITER

The women's and men's cross-country teams competed in the Penn State Behrend Invitational Sept. 16.

Out of the 13 teams that competed, the women's cross-country team placed sixth overall. Women's head coach Gary Lilly was proud to have beaten Grove City.

Out of the 183 women that competed in the race, junior Desiree Henry placed tenth overall with a time of 20:27. She received a plaque for her accomplishment at the end of the invitational.

"She was really moving out there, and I was really proud of her accomplishment," Lilly said.

Henry said, "My ultimate goal for the season is to lower my time into the 19's."

"We're doing really well after running

only three meets, and I think we're all going to improve our times as the season progresses," said senior captain Jen Bennett.

The men's cross-country team competed as one of 14 teams in the 5-mile, finishing second overall. Junior co-captain Jacob Gleason beat out 202 other competitors to finish first with a time of 27:07.

"I think the team ran a really good meet. We were all focused and beat Grove City, which was one of our goals," Gleason said.

"I was so proud of the entire team's accomplishment. Everyone stayed focused, and many team members achieved their personal best times," men's head coach Ron Galbreath said.

"I really feel that we are growing together as a team. Everyone stepped up and gave his best," senior co-captain Travis Gatesman said.

## Sports briefs

### In pool, ring and court, U.S. team on Olympic roll

SYDNEY, Australia - Surprise, surprise: yet another record-breaking effort at the Olympic pool — this time by an American swimmer chasing a gold medal. A fifth straight victory by the U.S. boxers. And another easy American softball win. Tom Malchow set the Olympic standard Monday in preliminaries for the 200-meter butterfly. The 24-year-old Malchow nipped .01 seconds off the mark set by American Melvin Stewart in winning a 1992 gold medal. In boxing, Ricardo Rocky Juarez blasted his way past

Bijan Batmani of Iran, winning in the third round on the 15-point rule (15-0). The American boxers have now won all five of their opening round matches. One day after opening the Olympics with a no-hit victory, the U.S. women's softball team defeated Cuba 3-0.

### Marino's 17-year career honored with retirement of No. 13

MIAMI - Even a deluge couldn't put a damper on Dan Marino's retirement party. Steady rain fell for much of the first half of Sunday night's Miami-Baltimore game. It suddenly stopped once the first half was over. A dry Marino walked onto the field with tears in his eyes, and joined his family and former coach Don Shula onstage to receive his much-awaited tribute. He fought back the emotion of the moment to deliver an impassioned speech. "I spent 17 years fulfilling a dream playing in front of these fans in Miami, and it was very special to me," said Marino, whose No. 13 was retired during a halftime ceremony, joining Bob Griese's No. 12 as the only Miami numbers never to be worn again.

### Burton wins wire-to-wire in N.H.

LOUDON, N.H. - Jeff Burton led every lap while adjusting to the safety change that

## Thiel falls to Titans, 27-0

By James Baron  
STAFF WRITER

While the women's soccer team lost 2-0 to Gannon Sept. 9, they rallied the next day to win over West Virginia Tech and Thiel with a combined score of 27-0.

With eight saves, junior goalkeeper Sarah Morrison and the Titan defense held Gannon scoreless until the second half. Division II Gannon succeeded in two of its 21 shots.

Sept. 10 the Titan defense limited West Virginia Tech to just one shot and succeeded in a shutout of 17-0.

"We worked on our weaknesses and took our playing to a different level," junior co-captain Carrie Mathers said.

The Lady Titans followed up the shutout 10-0 decision over Thiel on Sept. 14.

"We definitely set our pace more and came out more aggressive," sophomore Erin Quinlan said. Sophomore Tammy Newell led the team with three goals for the second game in a row, giving her a team-leading seven goals. With one save, Morrison earned her 10th career shutout.

slowed cars, winning on the same track Sunday where two drivers died this year. In capturing the Dura Lube 300 at New Hampshire International Speedway, Burton became the first driver in 22 years to lead every lap. He won a race in which speed-robbing carburetor restrictor plates were ordered by NASCAR in response to the deaths of Kenny Irwin and Adam Petty. Pole sitter and series leader Bobby Labonte nearly led three times, the last when he went in front for a moment with six laps remaining. It was the third win this year and the 15th in the career of the 33-year-old driver from South Boston, Va.

### DiMarco wins Penn. Classic

PAOLI, Pa. - Chris DiMarco shot a 2-under-par 69 Sunday to win the inaugural Pennsylvania Classic by six strokes and earn his first victory on the PGA Tour in 159 career starts. It was the first tour event in Pennsylvania in 20 years. DiMarco started fast and was never challenged in the final round at Waynesborough Country Club. He had one eagle and three birdies to score in the 60s for the fourth straight day and finish at 14-under 270. Scott Hoch shot his best round of the tournament, a 65 that included 4-under on the back nine, to finish in a five-way tie for second at 276.

### Lamont's days as manager numbered

PITTSBURGH - Pittsburgh Pirates manager Gene Lamont has been told that he will be out of a job when his contract expires after this season, The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette reported Sunday. Pirates owner Kevin McClatchy has told Lamont that he won't be rehired as the ballclub's manager when the season ends, the newspaper said. "The best way to handle that is to not talk about it now," Lamont said after Sunday's 5-3 loss to Houston. "There will be a time to talk about it later." Pittsburgh has lost nine in a row, matching a nine-game slump in 1985. McClatchy declined to discuss the issue late Saturday.



# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

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## Beth Staley

Immortality may appeal to many people, but in *Highlander: Endgame* it guarantees a violent lifestyle that operates like a complicated board game where any wrong move could be a last move. Like game pieces, brothers Duncan MacLeod (Adrian Paul) and Connor MacLeod (Christopher Lambert) experience a chutes and ladders path from Scotland to New York City that spans many centuries. This path compels Connor to secretly secure himself in The Sanctuary, a base on holy ground where immortals can safely exit the game. Duncan, however, begins to search for the legendary Connor following a series of disturbing dreams about him.

During Duncan's search for Connor, the plot dives into the sword-happy hands of Jacob Kell (Jim Byrnes), a Renegade Immortal who has broken every rule of the game in order to achieve revenge on his long-time enemy Connor. With Duncan's separated wife, Kate MacLeod (Lisa Barbuscia) also known as Faith, Kell organizes a small band of Immortals including Jin Ke (Donnie Yen), a brilliant master of martial arts. Together they help Kell to wage a head-chopping frenzy against all Immortals resulting in many "Quickenings" for him. In the legend of Highlander, "The Quickening" is the process of gaining the essence of a decapitated Immortal; Immortals can withstand any wound except decapitation. When Duncan finally finds Connor, he also finds himself caught in Faith's vow of hatred for him as well as Kell's plan to obliterate all Immortals.

This fourth *Highlander* movie marks a shift in attention from Connor to Duncan. Throughout the movie, Duncan reminisces over the past juxtaposing aspects of previous Highlander movies with aspects from the television series. *Highlander: Endgame* unrolls the Gothic flavor and magic of Scotland legend into the streets of NYC, where modern weapons such as guns fill hands instead of ancient swords, lances, and daggers. The result is a convincing, action-packed 85 minutes, delivering themes of honor, bravery, justice, brotherhood, and true love on the concrete streets of NYC with references to Duncan's memories of the sea-bordered plains of Scotland, the deep forests of Ireland, and the rich castles of Italy.

Complimenting the settings and themes in *Highlander: Endgame*, are convincing characters moving expertly in gripping sword-battles, passionate fist-fights, swift martial arts encounters, and explosive shootings. The stunts and effects in this movie leave the viewer stunned and possibly even clenching their own necks and arms in painful awe. Due to the efforts of director Doug Aarniokoski, the characters don't master just the combat scenes, they also interact dramatically throughout the entire movie. As Connor, Lambert, French heartthrob and the original Highlander, evokes a powerful yet tragic intensity as a lone hero, afflicted by the ongoing loss of love. Balancing Connor's character, Paul plays Duncan with a perfect blend of intuition, emotion, and intelligence. Barbuscia gives Duncan's wife, Faith, an edginess that begs to be smoothed by Duncan, and Byrnes manipulates his face and body coldly so as to freeze his opponents and the audience with terror.

The actors successfully act out the choppy screenplay written by Gregory Widen, Joel Soisson, and Eric Bernt. Producers Peter S. Davis and William N. Panzer have created a film to

successfully quench Highlander fans. The movie will satisfy views that are fond of action, even if they're not familiar with the legendary series. Keep in mind that the R rating ensures extremely violent and explicit action. Nonetheless, don't end this movie season without seeing *Highlander: Endgame*.

## Joseph Stamper

Here is my disclaimer: I have always been a fan of the *Highlander* television series and I am familiar with the entire mythology that has expanded to the movie and television series. How could any testosterone-filled young man not like the *Highlander*? A hero, who has had more panties than Victoria's Secret, decapitates his foes with swords, will live forever, and yet remains compassionate.

In *Highlander: Endgame the Movie*, hero Connor MacLeod (Christopher Lambert) and the TV hero Duncan MacLeod (Adrian Paul) combine again to fight another seemingly unconquerable enemy. In the *Highlander* series immortals can only be killed if they are decapitated. If one immortal takes another's head he or she also takes that person's memories, life force, and experiences. Any further attempt on my part to synapse this picture would be an exercise in vanity.

## Stamper's Four Corner Break Down

(Rated 1-10, 10 being the best)

Date Movie- 3

If you are trying to get closer to your significant other avoid this film like the plague, unless of course he or she enjoys being confused. Unlike the series, which always carried a "bondage-ish" type romance, this picture is more about unresolved hate.

Special FX- 9

The action sequences are at times exquisite. Newcomer Donnie Yen stole the show from Paul, Lambert, and the new arch villain played by Jim Byrnes. The film might have done better to cast Yen as the headhunting scoundrel.

Star Power- 5

Paul's character, Duncan MacLeod, is undeveloped in this film. Lambert never could shoulder the role of hero. The only bright spot in the casting is Donnie Yen and his amazing physical talents.

Plot- 5

This film was written purely for market value, hoping to hook the faithful and bamboozle those unacquainted to the films and TV series. Again the movie ends with out some sign that Duncan MacLeod is the final immortal, begging the question, "is the Endgame the end?" It's the fourth movie! How long can the movie industry beat a dead horse? Joel Soisson has really gone to new lows to incorporate all the characters. Time and time again we see good stories turn into bad films. In this case a bad sequel.

Overall- Wait for the video

Only the bravest diehard *Highlander* fans should venture out into the multiplexes and see this film. I don't know how anyone who hasn't seen at least a couple of the movies or some of the TV series could even fathom what was going on. The only way *Highlander: Endgame* is worth the price is if it plays in the Down Under for free.

# Melissa Manchester performs for Celebrity Series

By Kendra McClymonds  
STAFF WRITER

Appearing this Saturday Sept. 23rd at 8p.m. in Orr Auditorium, Grammy Award-winning artist Melissa Manchester opens this year's Celebrity Series with an evening of contemporary music.

Manchester was born in New York where her father was a bassoonist for the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra. He introduced her to all the classics, and by the age of 15, she was already a published poet.

After graduating from the High School of the Performing Arts, Manchester entered New York University where she studied

under the famous singer, Paul Simon. She then landed a staff-writing job at Chappell Music and performed as a solo singer/pianist in the clubs of Greenwich Village and Manhattan's Upper West Side, where she met Bette Midler.

As a back-up singer for Bette, Manchester fulfilled her childhood fantasy of playing in New York's legendary Carnegie Hall. Six months later, she had a recording contract, and soon headlined Carnegie Hall where she performed for sold-out audiences.

Manchester's debut albums, *Home to Myself* and *Bright Eyes*, positioned her as a dynamic new talent, and in 1980 she became the first artist in the history of the Academy

Awards to have two nominated movie themes in a given year: *Ice Castles* and *The Promise*. She went on to make Oscar history by performing both of these works in their entirety during the show.

Manchester was also nominated for a Grammy Award in 1978 and 1979. She finally received her Grammy in 1982 for Best Female Vocalist for "You Should Hear How She Talks About You" from her *Hey Ricky* LP.

She has also combined her acting and singing talents in starring roles in Andrew Lloyd Weber's "Song and Dance" and "Music of the Night," and in a recurring role in the hit television series *Blossom*. She also

worked again with Bette Midler, co-starring in the film *For the Boys*, released by 20th Century Fox.

Most recently, Manchester released *Joy*, her first Christmas album on Angel/EMI Records, and in yet another career first, she wrote the musical *I Sent a Letter to my Love* based on the acclaimed Bernice Rubens novel of the same name.

She is currently writing her 16th album and celebrating two decades of performance. She has also just finished composing and recording the score for *Lady and the Tramp II*, the sequel to the beloved Walt Disney classic, which is scheduled for release in 2000.

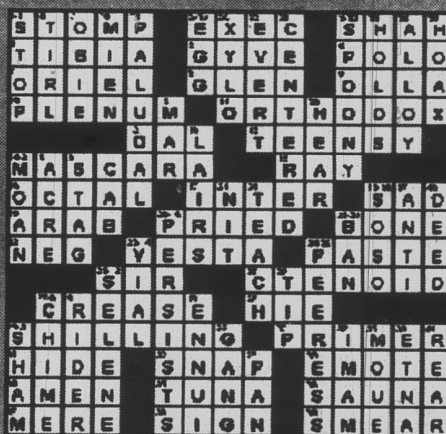
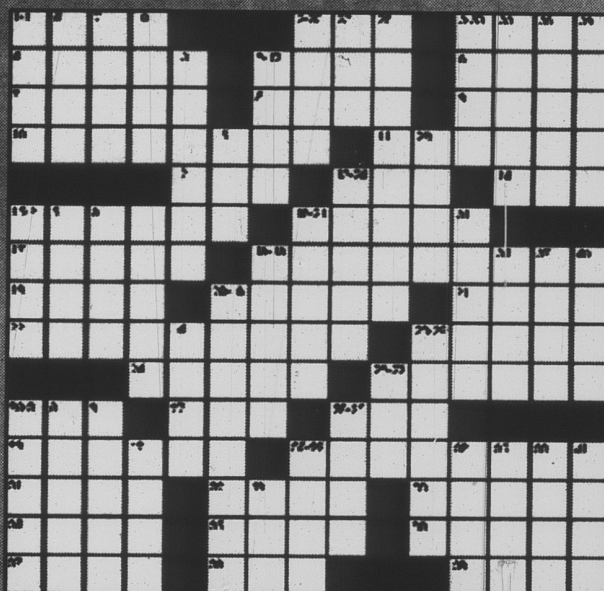


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17-As previously given  
18-Exclamation of acclaim  
19-Capital of Nepal  
21-Sloping letter  
23-Month  
24-Powdery residue  
25-North American deer  
26-American Indian dwelling  
30-Swiftness  
32-Land measures  
33-Witch  
37-Empty  
38-Set apart  
39-Capital of Norway  
40-Amuse  
42-Assert as a fact  
43-Livid  
44-Spiral formation  
45-Mineral spring  
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49-Tear  
50-3.26 light years  
52-Pastor  
57-Arcade  
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65-Monetary unit of Japan  
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42-Mimics  
44-Wine  
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52-Morning  
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54-Heavy book  
55-Epic poetry  
56-20th letter of the Hebrew alphabet  
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Your energy level will increase if you join forces with others to find solutions. The best cause to fight for is your own. Stick up for what you believe in.

## TAURUS

You may want to get in touch with family members or neighbors. Emotions can influence your thinking. Your intuitive insights and healing energies can be used positively to help others.

## GEMINI

Use your creative abilities to win approval of friends and associates. A minor dispute over money or possessions could hamper relationships. This may cause you to re-think your immediate and long term plans.

## CANCER

Writing and organizing daily routine will help you overcome your overwhelming list of things to do. Sometimes you feel very alone, but this week, everybody will be on your side.

## LEO

Social and business communications may require tact and diplomacy. Short trips can be very pleasurable. This is the week that will ignite your ambitions and allow you to publish and exhibit your talents.

## VIRGO

Your political awareness increases, as does your awareness of social status and partnerships. If you seem to be carrying a heavy burden of responsibilities, try to narrow down your options and choose a goal that is realistic for you. Stop going around in circles and place your aims and goals higher on your priority list.

## LIBRA

By emphasizing your independence you will communicate your message loud and clear. Express your intellectual authority. You should take pride in your ideas and try to influence others with your writing and speaking.

## SCORPIO

You will need to make concessions to conformity, in terms of social understanding and behavior. Use discretion and avoid saying too much.

## SAGITTARIUS

Your creativity, style and sex appeal will attract a wider audience. Don't allow your high spirits to deter you from maintaining the discipline and attention to detail necessary to make your goals a reality.

## CAPRICORN

Listen to your inner voice, negotiate and compromise. Your heroic nature will give you all the ingredients you need to succeed, if you express your ideas with passion. Don't become defensive to negative rebuttal.

## AQUARIUS

Focus on universal approach to attain your personal goals. Put your effort into organizing yourself and becoming more versatile. You are independent, possess personal freedom and resist conventional procedures.

## PISCES

Your escapist tendency sometimes translates into a habit of running away when the going gets tough. Realize what you are running away from. It could be what you have been dreaming about all of your life.

## Pizza Joe's could become favorite hang-out

By Jon McKay  
STAFF WRITER

On July 17th, the face of downtown New Wilmington drastically changed. You probably did not notice it until you arrived on campus late in August, but the large red, white and blue sign definitely lets you know that something is different. Immediately, the questions fill your mind, "Will they be open late?" "Will it be cheap?" "Will it be good food?" The answer to all three is - yes.

This change, of course, was the arrival of Pizza Joe's on S. Market St. (the building that formerly housed Prima's Pizza). Pizza Joe's had always wanted to open a restaurant in New Wilmington, but was hesitant because of the two pizza establishments that seemed to be New Wilmington fixtures, Prima's and Alice's. So when the owner of Prima's approached Pizza Joe's about selling the location earlier this year, they jumped at the chance to come to a college community.

"When we got here, we did a total interior renovation; new ovens, new everything," said David Llewellyn, owner of the new Pizza Joe's. "We're really happy to be here." Llewellyn has been with the company for 18 of its 20 years.

Although Pizza Joe's is part of a chain, you would never know it. The atmosphere conveys a personal feel.

"We didn't come here for competition, we came here to make a quality product," Llewellyn said.

And despite the conservative, anti-corporation attitude of the town, Llewellyn says he has had nothing but positive feedback from New Wilmington residents.

"At first I was surprised at how many peo-

ple from the town came in," he said. "We haven't had any negative feedback from them."

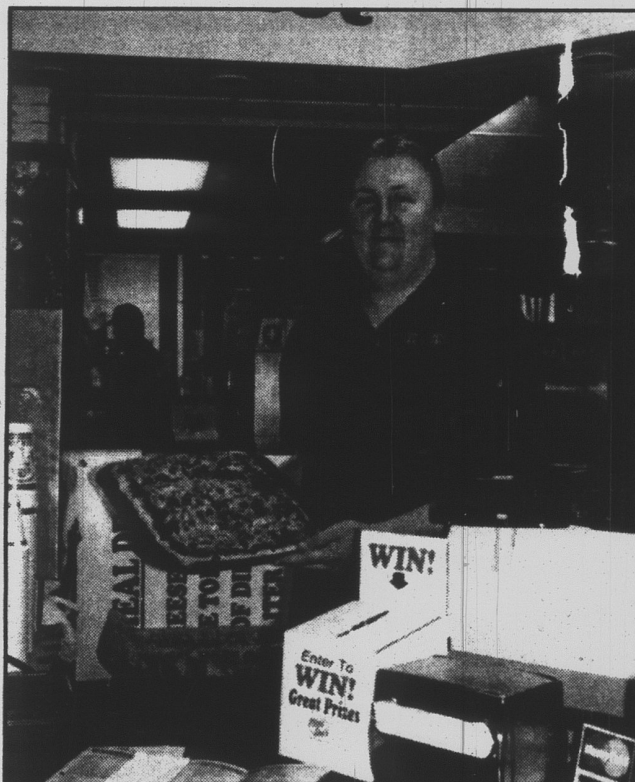
Although the New Wilmington residents are frequenting Pizza Joe's, about one-half of the customers are college students. That is probably because of the close proximity to the campus and late hours of operation. Not much is open in New Wilmington after six, but Pizza Joe's is open until 10 p.m. Sunday, 11 p.m. weekdays, and midnight on Friday and Saturday nights.

Most of the business is carry-out, but there is ample room to dine in. Delivery is only available for extremely large orders.

"The reason we don't deliver is because when you hire drivers, the prices of your food must go up to cover the insurance," Llewellyn said.

As one would expect from a place called Pizza Joe's, pizza is the specialty. But the menu is filled with other kinds of food as well. With salads, strombolis, calzones, sandwiches, wings, sides, and even dinner available, Pizza Joe's has something for everyone.

"By far, the favorite of the students is the Hot Gondola," Llewellyn said, referring to a



David Llewellyn displays one of the pizzas that have quickly made his business a hot spot around town.

Photo by Aly Karg

sandwich loaded with meats and cheeses.

Pizza Joe's is a welcome change to New Wilmington and the campus community, quickly becoming a favorite of residents and students alike. Just like that big red, white and blue sign says, "Everyone goes to Pizza Joe's." At least they should.



# OPINION

## Rant and Rave

"I hate how Russell got new furniture and Eichenauer didn't."

"I am very happy with the food this year."

"I hate how people are allowed to smoke in some rooms, but we're not allowed to have candles."

"I like that for the \$4.25 equivlency I can get a footlong sub for \$4.20 and a glass of water for \$.05."

"I don't like that the TUB, bookstore and computer labs are not on the same schedule as the LLP students."

"I love that the faculty want to be close to students. They have no reservations."

"I hate it when people can't walk through the door and there's a big traffic jam. If everyone stayed to the right there would be no problem. Just think of the TUB at lunch."

"Kudos to the Theater department for getting the National Shakespeare Company to campus."

Rants and Raves may be phoned in to the Holcad at EXT 7224 or sent via email at holcad@westminster.edu

## OUR VIEW: Election 2000

At the height of the presidential campaign, with only eight weeks left, the excitement of the election has moved onto campus; the mudslinging and all.

The newest tactic was an anti-Bush pin that douted the phrase, "It will be a cold day when I vote for a son of a Bush."

Of course it is to be expected that everything the candidates have done or are doing is now thrown in the face of the public. Especially for those who are not experts in politics, it can be extremely difficult to sort through the slander and find the real facts. For many students this will be our first election we are able to vote in. (Though if the stats are correct under half of the campus will actually vote.) It is a very scary and difficult decision but with a little research can be made easier.

### The 'Son of a Bush'

The most recent falling for the Bush campaign was the confrontation between the Governor and a *New York Times* reporter. Bush called the reporter a seven word expletive beginning with an 'a' because the reporter had been writing columns against the Bush campaign. Instead of responding with an apology, Mr. Bush instead decided to say the comment was not meant for the public to hear; that it was a private comment. Welcome to politics George, everything you say and do can and will be used against you come voting time.

Also, Governor Bush's downfall lies in the fact that his campaign slogans are changing about every other week. After realizing that Gore had a lead over him in the polls, Bush decided to experiment with different campaign strategies.

Though Bush does have backing from his father's supporters of the 80's, many were very happy to see Former President Bush depart from Pennsylvania Avenue and like the button says they would never vote another Bush into office.

### "The Internet Creator"

Gore's biggest advantage and disadvantage are in his work with the Clinton administration. Many people are impressed with the thriving economy that Clinton will leave this country in and attribute it to the Democrats in general. This is a definite one-up for Gore. Also, along with that, he will gain backing from Clinton supporters. Though, as stated before this could be his biggest downfall. Many are ready to get Clinton out of office and again associate Gore closely with him.

The other flounder that Gore is caught in is his comments about creating the Internet. Many found the comment amusing but some hard nose political followers assume that this proves his lying character and frown on his words.

Also, in the Vice President's favor is the almost guaranteed backing of the minorities. Though an NPR broadcast reported that many were upset he was taking their vote for granted.

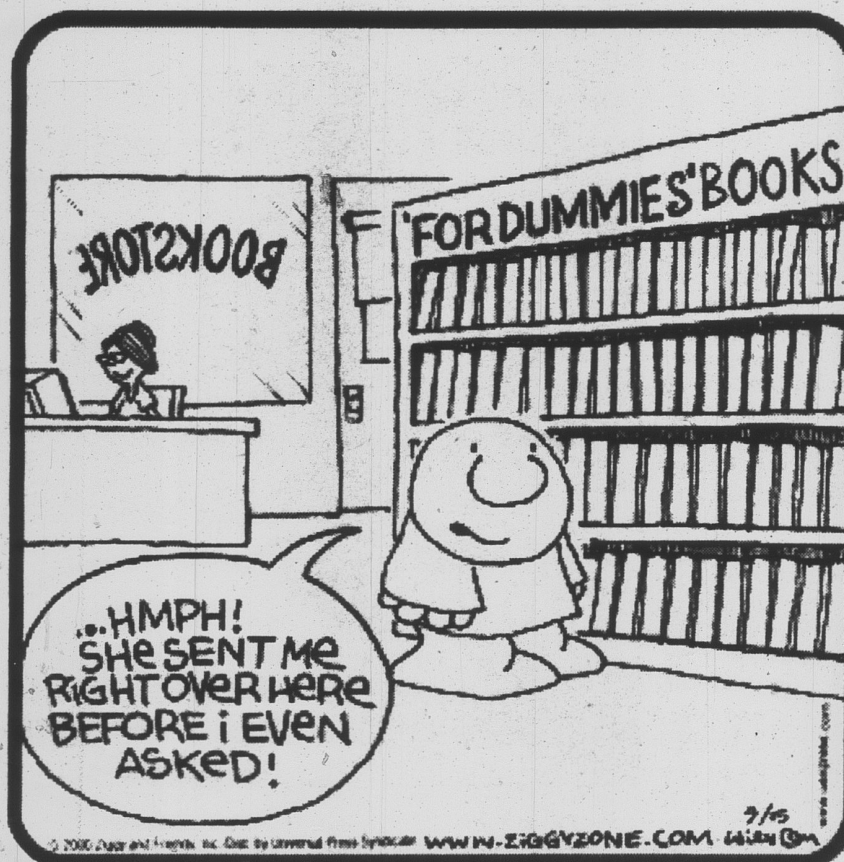
His biggest advantage right now though is that he is ahead in the polls which gives him room to stretch before the October 3 debate.

"It will be a cold day when I vote for a son of a Bush."

It seems that this race is not going to be about which candidate is the best but rather who isn't all that bad. For those petrified voters who have almost given up on trying to make an educated choice, fear not! The debate on October 3 and all the coverage to come should help all of us sort through the slander and reach a good decision.

Whatever you do though, VOTE!! Remember that voting is a privilege that many of us have taken for granted. It is a right that should be respected and used. Besides, when the votes are counted and the \_\_\_ president is elected, you can at least say you did your part to support or oppose him.

## — Editorial Cartoon —



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# The Olympics have grown into its own industry

By Nicholas Roznovsky  
The Battalion (Texas A&M U.)

While organizing the first modern Olympic Games in 1896, founder Pierre de Coubertin hoped to establish "a four-yearly festival of the springtime of mankind."

For more than 100 years, the Olympic Games have united athletes from around the globe to compete in a variety of athletic events and foster peace among the nations of the world.

Now that the 2000 Summer Olympic Games are underway in Australia with more than 10,000 athletes competing in more than 300 events, it would seem that Coubertin's dream has been realized.

Along the way, however, other dreams have been realized, too. For many of the cities and companies involved, the Olympics are the ultimate celebration of revenue and profit.

Over the past 104 years, the Olympics

have grown from a simple athletic festival into a multibillion dollar industry, and businesses all over the world are trying to get a piece of the Olympic gold for themselves.

The true motivation behind the modern Games is becoming all too apparent — financial gain.

For this year's Games, the Sydney Olympic Games Organizing Committee (SOGOC) will receive \$627 million from 96 sponsors and suppliers.

Surprisingly enough, this large sum is less than the amount the Atlanta Games accumulated in four years. In 1996, 102 companies paid \$826 million to be part of the Olympic Games.

The International Olympic Committee (IOC), the administering body of the Games, also gets its fair share of sponsorship revenues.

Eleven major sponsors, including Coca-Cola, Visa and IBM, have paid a combined

\$605 million to be recognized as "Olympic Partners."

The company in the United States most visibly making money off of the Games is General Electric Co., the parent company of television network NBC. The network has exclusive Olympic broadcast rights in the United States through the 2008 Games.

For this year's Olympics alone, NBC paid \$705 million dollars for broadcast rights. Despite the large cost, NBC announced one week before the opening ceremony in Australia that it had turned a profit by selling a record \$900 million in advertising for the Games.

The Olympic Games are certainly bigger and more profitable than ever, but are they better?

In its quest to expand the Games and maximize the revenue, the IOC has ignored Pierre de Coubertin's vision of the Games as a showcase of amateur athletics.

Professional athletes now make up the majority of Olympic basketball and soccer teams and a sizable percentage of tennis competitors. One cannot watch 15 minutes of Olympic coverage on NBC without seeing at least one ad featuring world-class sprinter Michael Johnson.

In addition, it seems that the average Olympic athlete today is far less an amateur than his predecessors.

For the athletes who have spent years training and preparing for the Sydney Olympic Games, the next two weeks still represent a chance to prove themselves as world-class athletes. To Americans watching at home, however, the Games are just a two-week festival of capitalism.

It does not matter who wins the gold, silver, or bronze — the corporate world already has captured the green.

# MTV seems to have responded irresponsibly to Eminem's lyrics

By Sarah Topy  
The Lantern (Ohio State U.)

(U-WIRE) COLUMBUS, Ohio — Standing outside of Radio City Music Hall during the 2000 MTV Video Music Awards, Eminem performed his hit song, "The Real Slim Shady," with 40 clones in white T-shirts and blue jeans.

The song, which includes prejudiced references concerning homosexuals, and insults basically all of the pop music industry, is almost as controversial as the artist himself.

Eminem's hateful lyrics, and violent messages have long been deemed inappropriate by politicians and parents alike. However, in this case, the issue is not Eminem himself but the way that MTV has responded to him.

When introducing Eminem at the Video Music Awards, actor Jim Carrey said, "He scares me. He scares me a little. His lyrics are

completely socially unacceptable, but you know what, if we all spend a little time with our kids, I think it will all be OK."

Nice sermon. Nice sentiment. But let's get real.

Yes, morality begins and ends in the home, and is largely due to our parents influence. And yes, blaming teenage violence on Eminem or any other celebrity is ludicrous. But so is ignoring the correlation entirely.

In one of his songs, "Kim," Eminem pretends to murder his own wife, using some of the most graphic and deplorable language ever recorded on a CD. At the end of the song, he screams, "Now bleed, b\*\*\*\*, bleed!! Bleed!! Bleed!!" In another song, called "Who Knew," he sings: "Take drugs! Rape sluts! Make fun of gay clubs! Men who wear makeup!"

My 16-year-old sister and her friends listen to these songs for hours and find nothing

wrong with them. The problem with music like this is that it desensitizes us to violence and prejudice, and when we hear about a school shooting or a hate crime, we do not feel the outrage we should.

As a venue for teenagers and young adults, MTV has the responsibility to make sure that its audience understands the seriousness of crime and hate. And it cannot successfully convey this message when it awards Eminem's song "The Real Slim Shady" Best Video of the Year.

In its first airing on Sept. 7, the MTV Video Music Awards had an audience of seven million viewers. The program has been re-aired countless times since then, and countless more people have seen the show. By not just allowing Eminem to participate, but rewarding his music with three awards — tied for the most of any performer — MTV has rewarded a man who preaches discrimination

and violence.

Eminem has the right to sing whatever he wants; MTV has the right to air whatever it wants. But it also has the responsibility to teach its impressionable viewers about tolerance and peace. Airing an ad about hate crimes against homosexuals, immediately after Eminem has performed on the awards show, is not sufficient.

MTV must realize that it exerts a tremendous amount of influence over its audience. It must no longer view reprehensible lyrics as innocuous.

Airing Eminem is MTV's prerogative, as well as its right. But rewarding and glorifying him sends a message that there is nothing wrong with his behavior.

And to quote Jim Carrey, that is "completely socially unacceptable."

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**THE NEW WILMINGTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** will serve braised steak dinner from 4:40 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14. This event is open to the public and benefits the church's education program and mission projects. Ticket cost is \$7 for adults, and \$3 for children 10 and under. According to Project Chair Norma Garrett, tickets must be purchased in advance from church members or by calling (724) 946-2246. Carryouts are available.

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more information call (724) 946-8706 Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**THE CAREER CENTER** has the following resources for internships in our Career Center Library:

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**THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART** in New York has fellowships available in many areas of study. Some are available for graduate students, and others for undergrads. They are also available for various amounts of time. For more information call Janet Waugaman at EXT. 6338.

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**220 HICKORY NOW HIRING:** 220 Hickory, a new women's clothing store, opening October 1 at the Grove City Outlets, is looking for part-time sales clerks. Hours are flexible and pay is \$7.25 per hour. Fax information to (814) 726-6379 or e-mail: [drblair@blair.com](mailto:drblair@blair.com) or mail: Blair Corporation, Attn: DRB, 220 Hickory Street, Warren, PA 16366.

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# Calendar of Events

## FRIDAY 22

### AUTUMN BEGINS

11:40 a.m. Chapel

9:00 p.m. CPC Presents: The Dating Game - Down Under

## SATURDAY 23

Newman Club Fall Retreat

Cross Country @ St. Vincent

7:45 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. PRAXIS (National Teacher) Exams - PH 112

9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Leadership Commission - Various rooms in Hoyt - Registration in HSC Lobby

10:00 a.m. Alumni Council Meeting

1:00 p.m. Football @ West Liberty State

4:00 p.m. Men's Soccer @ Hilbert

7:00 p.m. Mass

8:00 p.m. Celebrity Series: An Evening with Melissa Manchester - Orr Auditorium

## SUNDAY 24

1:00 p.m. Men's Soccer @ D'Youville (NY)

1:00 p.m. Golf @ Clarion Invitational

6:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Meeting - Sig Ep House

6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting - Theta Chi House

7:00 p.m. Vespers

9:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

## MONDAY 25

Phi Mu Inspiration Week

9:00 a.m. Golf @ Clarion Invitational

11:40 a.m. Chapel

5:30 p.m. Panel Meeting - TUB A/B

5:30 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Introduction to Computers, Session A — PH 214

6:00 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112/113

6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House

6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - TUB A/B

6:30 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall

6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116

7:00 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311/312

8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230

9:15 p.m. Lambda Sigma Meeting — TUB A/B

## TUESDAY 26

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. English Language Institute Presentation — TUB Grille

11:15 a.m. Student Life and Athletic Council Meeting — TUB A/B

3:00 p.m. Women's Tennis vs. Grove City (H)

4:00 p.m. Last Lecture Series - TUB Lounge

4:30 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Grove City (H)

5:30 p.m. Residence Hall Advisory Board Meeting - Lindley Dining Room

5:30 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Introduction to Computers, Session B — PH 214

6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting — PH 231

6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. English Language Institute Presentation — TUB A/B

7:15 p.m. Volleyball vs. Waynesburg (H)

8:00 p.m. Foreign Film Festival: "Pushing Hands" - Down Under

7:00 p.m. Guest Speaker: Author & Activist, Leslea Newman — Chapel

## WEDNESDAY 27

### YOM KIPPUR

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10:30 a.m. Acting Workshop (given by National Shakespeare Company) — Beeghly Theater

11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum: Patrick McCarthy, "Bioinformatics and Hokies" — PH 131

6:00 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Rush Party — Down Under

6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House

7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116

7:30 p.m. The National Shakespeare Company's Presentation of Hamlet - Beeghly Theater

8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B

8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111

9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - Down Under

## THURSDAY 28

11:00 a.m. Flutes for Lunch — TUB Lounge

4:30 p.m. Women's Tennis @ Bethany

4:30 p.m. Student Publications Board Meeting — Old Main 308

5:30 p.m. Phi Sigma Tau Meeting — PH 116

6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House

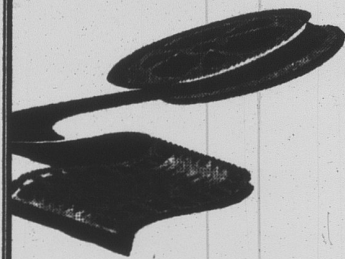
7:00 p.m. IFC Meeting - TUB A/B

7:00 p.m. Black Student Union Meeting — PH 231

# Homecoming '00.

## Float Themes are Requested

It's that time of year for organizations to select their Homecoming themes. The theme this year is "Saturday at the Movies." Since all floats are judged, the Homecoming Committee cannot have several floats with the same theme. Therefore, please find listed below the themes already selected.



**Saturday  
at the  
Movies**

## Float Themes Selected by Organizations

Some float themes have been selected by student organizations and can no longer be considered by other student organizations.

**Alpha Gamma Delta—Science  
Fiction**

**Kappa Delta—Horror**

**Phi Kappa Tau—College Movies**

**Phi Mu—Westerns**

**Sigma Kappa—Animated**

**Sigma Nu—Drama Action**

**Zeta Tau Alpha—Comedy**

## Ideas for Themes

The Homecoming Committee has developed a list of potential ideas for float themes.

**Adventure**

**Mystery**

**Musicals**

**Silent**

**History**

**Classical**

**International**

**Documentary**

**Romance**

**Holidays**

Turn your selection into Camille Hawthorne, Student Affairs. Deadline is September 27, 2000. Questions call Camille at 7112 or e-mail at hawthornc.

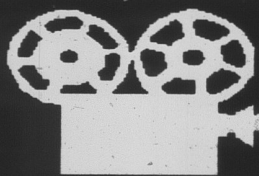
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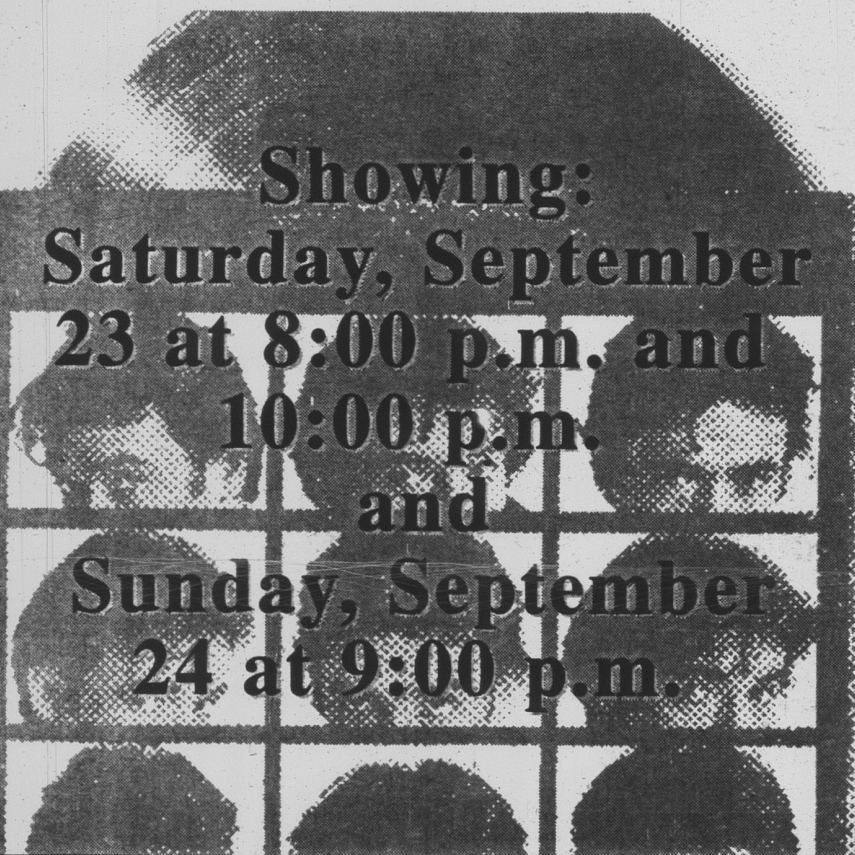
**Friday, September 22 at  
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and  
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## Fired up for the auction

By Shannon Harris  
STAFF WRITER

In 1999 the New Wilmington Volunteer Fire Department responded to 280 fire calls and 300 ambulance calls in the community. Every year the fire department holds an auction to raise money to continue their service. The fire department will hold its 46th annual auction at the fire hall on West Neshannock Ave. Sept. 30.

This year the department hopes to replace a 30-year-old fire rescue unit, priced at \$325,000. Last year the auction raised \$51,000. In 1998 the department purchased a thermal imaging camera with funds raised from that year's auction. The camera, priced at \$26,000, has assisted the firemen numerous times since its purchase.

"It senses heat, which can cut damage costs to any building in the case of a fire," department member and auction chairman Todd Wilson said. "It can find a lost child at night, and locate a body of a person or an animal in a burning home. It comes in real handy."

Fire chief Rick Adams said, "Down the road we would like to replace our S.C.B.A. (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) airpaks. We have 15 and it will cost \$2,500 a piece to replace."

Residents in the area do not pay an additional tax for the fire department. Instead, the department operates through funds from community donations and auctions.

"The department relies greatly on the community's generosity for the majority of its operating funds," Wilson said. Fire department treasurer Pete Grittie estimates "the cost of insurance alone can be \$18,000 to \$20,000."

High Street will be closed from 11 am Sept. 30 until noon on Sunday for the event. The day will begin with a bake sale and flea market from 9 am to 3 pm. The auction will begin at 5:15 pm and continue through midnight. Auction items include couches, microwaves, tools, and much more. There is no charge to attend any of the day's events. An Amish-crafted hutch will be raffled off during the auction. Tickets can be purchased at the fire hall or from any fire department member.



## Evaluation to improve campus

By Jon McKay  
STAFF WRITER

With fame and prestige comes responsibility. Every ten years, accredited colleges in the United States must undergo a reaccreditation review, including an extensive self-study report that addresses all accreditation standards, and an on-campus review by an evaluation team. Westminster is currently in the process of preparing for its re-accreditation evaluation.

All colleges and universities are accredited by agencies authorized by the U.S. Department of Education. Westminster's agency is the Commission on Higher Education

(CHE), Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools (MSACS).

Although the accreditation status will not be decided until June '01, Westminster has been working on preparing for the decision for a year and a half. Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College Dr. John Deegan was appointed Chair of the College's reaccreditation efforts. He then formed a 14 member Self-Study Steering Committee (SSSC). To ensure more specific self-study, the SSSC appointed three task forces.

After almost a year of comprehensive self-study, the first draft of the report is almost finished, numbering approximately 160 pages in length.

Over the next few weeks, several meetings will be held to inform staff and students of the content of the report. On Feb. 17, '01, the Board of Trustees will review and approve the Self-Study Report. This will lead to the on-campus review by the evaluation team from CHE, MSACS in April '01.

Colleges are reaccredited for several reasons. First, reaccreditation allows for standards against which all colleges can be measured. It also ensures the college will undergo an extensive self-evaluation process that leads to improvement in all aspects of the campus. By connecting reaccreditation to eligibility for

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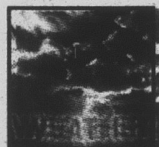
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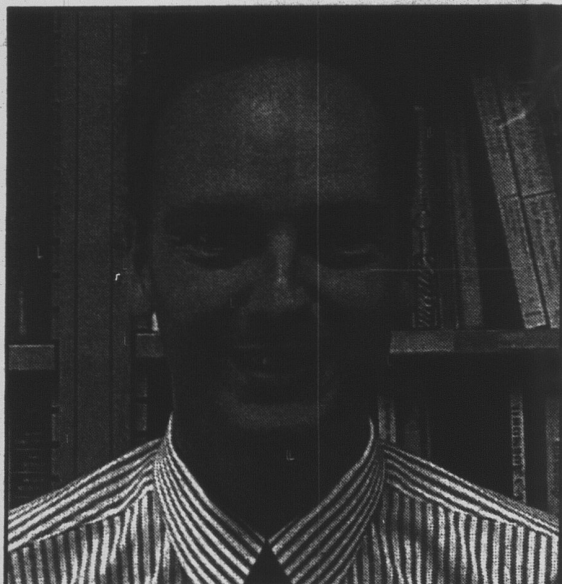
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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Henderson lecturer to discuss Russian royal marriages



Dr. Russel Martin will lecture from parts of his book that will be published next year.

By Sarah Lohr  
STAFF WRITER

Dr. Russel Martin has been selected as this year's Henderson lecturer. The lecture entitled, "Picking a Bride for the Tsar: Autocracy, Oligarchy, and the Politics of Royal Marriage in Muscovite Russia" will be given on Weds., Oct. 4 at 7:00pm in Beeghly Theater.

The lecture is based on Martin's analysis of archival documents involving Muscovite royal marriage selection customs, and is based on parts of his book, "Dynastic Marriage in Muscovy, 1500-1729" that will be published next year.

One point of discussion will be the contest format of 16th century Russian royal bride selection, the bride show, which assembled available young maidens before the tsar for him to choose from. Martin argues that the bride show was not

an open contest, but was slanted toward a pre-chosen mate. He believes politics are at the root of marriage, and that's what intrigues him.

Martin said the lecture will be a co-curricular event that undergraduate students, colleagues and local residents will attend. After his lecture, he hopes his audience will have a better understanding of medieval Russia and gets a taste of the "fascinating and intrinsically interesting history and culture of early Russia."

Martin obtained his B.A. from the University of Pittsburgh and his A.M. and Ph.D. from Harvard University. Not only has he been a consultant since 1992 to the successors to the Russian throne, but he has also been published in the Harvard Ukrainian Studies and Russian History.

Martin's interest in Russian culture originated because his mother's family is from the Ukraine and because of his work with archival documents on wedding practices in Russia.

Martin's passion for Russia took him abroad to Moscow for a year in 1992 where he studied numerous archival documents

related to his research. He speaks and writes fluently in Russian and made his first visit to Russia in 1986.

Since 1996, Martin has been the Assistant Professor of History at Westminster and this year stepped in as co-moderator of the Honors Program. Other accomplishments include being featured on an episode of A&E's show Biography and lecturing in Russia. Despite his many professional accomplishments, Martin's "greatest source of pride," he said, are his children Sasha and Peter.

After his current book is published, Martin said his next major project would be on modern Russia; a book on the Romanovs, Russia's royal family, after their fall from the throne.

The annual honor of being the Henderson Lecturer began with a grant from Joseph R. Henderson, a former professor, and his wife Elizabeth. It was established to recognize Westminster faculty members and provide them with a stipend for specialized research.

Some past Henderson lecturers who are still currently teaching include Drs. Bove, Faires, Koop, Kripal, Macky, Perkins and Webster.

## Lifelong Learning Program adding new night classes

By Linda M. Sestric  
STAFF WRITER

This year, there are currently 96 Lifelong Learning Program (LLP) students enrolled on campus for the fall semester. LLP students also have the unique opportunity to take accelerated classes in the evening; that way, they have more time to do work on their own since they're usually juggling other responsibilities as well as school. Business administration has always been the most common program among LLPs, with English and public relations coming in second.

Director of Continuing Education and Lifelong Learning Carol Yova said that there have never been any complaints from LLP students about traditional students. Yova said, "The LLP students enjoy being with younger students and they enjoy the new technology of

the younger generation."

Development Assistant and first-year LLP public relations major Merrienne McGill appreciates the small class sizes. Her summer course, PR101, only had three students, and she felt very accepted in such an intimate class. In her current Writing 111 class, consisting of all freshmen, McGill has already been asked if she were a teacher. She said, "I feel like I'm the oldest kid on the block!"

McGill said that the professors don't treat her any differently than the younger students, although they definitely know that she has more life experience. Because of this, teachers sometimes make referrals to her during class.

Some students have had difficulties working with LLP students. Junior business administration major Nikki Voit has had a Spanish class with an LLP student. She said she found it "difficult to do group work with

this student because she was not on campus too often. Many people did not want to work with her, but she was one of the gang in class."

On the other hand, other students find it very beneficial to work with an older, more experienced person. Junior public relations major Adriann Popovich said, "I have my fourth class with the same LLP student this semester. She really isn't treated any differently. It's been beneficial to have her in class because she is very involved and has a great passion for learning."

Mary Tommelleo, a sophomore LLP broadcast communications student, feels that the traditional students accept her and are respectful and helpful with the new technology used daily. "The younger generation gives me hope and inspiration for the future," Tommelleo said. Although she finds it hard to meet with groups as a result of living off cam-

pus, she feels that professors are helpful and very understanding.

Helpful students and professors are nothing new here at Westminster College. Linda Volpe, the Assistant to the Dean of the College and Director of Off Campus Study, graduated from WC in May, 1995 with a BA in English. Volpe felt like she got a lot of attention, and professors were very flexible and cooperative, knowing that she had both a family and a job. Volpe said, "I learned so much about myself from the younger students. I feel as if coming back to school was definitely worth it - it helped to advance my career and set a good example for my kids."

To celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Lifelong Learning Program, LLP students will receive passes to Marriot during the week of Nov. 6. The college has plans to construct an LLP lounge in Old Main.

## No new policy changes in New Wilmington police department

By Alyssa Detore  
STAFF WRITER

Despite countless rumors circulating campus, there have been no changes in the New Wilmington Police's routines from previous years.

Numerous students have been questioning the jurisdiction of the local police recently, and have posed many questions regarding their authority.

"Nothing is different from last year," Richard Hanna, Chief of Police said. "Westminster College is included in the New

Wilmington Borough, so if the need arises we are permitted to enter the campus."

The Borough places full confidence in the college's campus security, but if there are emergencies or if the New Wilmington Police is contacted personally, they are obligated to approach the scene to offer assistance.

Although the police are allowed to enter campus, Westminster's security does not have permission to travel to off-campus housing.

Hanna stressed that the police will not take action unless given a valid reason. Students who are under 21 years of age should be aware that transporting alcohol is illegal.

Bottles clanking in a book bag on a weekend late at night when classes aren't in session looks very suspicious to police.

One change that has been made concerning the law is a restriction of open alcoholic containers in vehicles. This applies to any individual, regardless of age. Any person that violates this law commits a summary offense and will be penalized.

The best advice for students is to fully cooperate with the police because they are working for the protection and safety of the college and surrounding community. Also, be conscious of laws and regulations and the

repercussions that may apply.

"All I can tell students is that if you are under the age of 21, do not put yourself in a situation that makes you feel uncomfortable or that you know is not right," Hanna said. "If you are over the age of 21, never, under any circumstances provide alcohol to minors. If they are consuming alcohol on your property, the students on the lease are held responsible, whether they are aware of the actions taking place or not."

If you have any other concerns or comments, feel free to contact the New Wilmington Borough for more information.

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## West Virginia mountains hosts campus Fall Retreat

### Backpacking, caving, rappelling highlight weekend events

By Mary Tomalley  
STAFF WRITER

Instead of laying on the couch or flipping burgers during fall break, students have the option of backpacking/hiking, caving, rock climbing or rappelling in the Monongahela National Forest in West Virginia. The Fall Retreat is scheduled for the weekend of Sept. 29 - Oct. 1. This year's theme asks students "What Are You Standing On?" and offers participants the chance to think about what gives them stability in life. This event is just one of many throughout the year sponsored by the Chapel Staff and led by Titan Traverse.

Director Steve Montgomery and assistant directors Tim Little and Joy Barron bring to the program a love of wilderness activities combined with faith in oneself and the triumph of the human spirit. Their goal is to create a safe environment in which to conduct the programs so group members can feel free to test their limits and become more open with others. Montgomery said people learn best when mental barriers fall, and good communication begins, giving space for great personal growth. It was the desire to use his teaching

gifts that convinced Montgomery to teach leadership abilities to students.

After serving three years as Russell Hall's residence director, Montgomery began Titan Traverse in 1997. Its goals now, as they always have been, are to enhance leadership development and problem solving in different parts of the students' life while embracing the individual as a whole being. Titan Traverse helps develop leadership skills in many organizations like fraternities, sororities, and student government groups. Athletic teams have found they can communicate better on the playing field, with a great deal of improvement in game skills, after completing a traverse program.

In addition to the Fall Retreat, Titan Traverse also scheduled the Weekend Extreme for Oct. 13-15, Spring Break 2000, trips to Maine, canoeing in Georgia and sailing in the Bahamas. Students interested in any

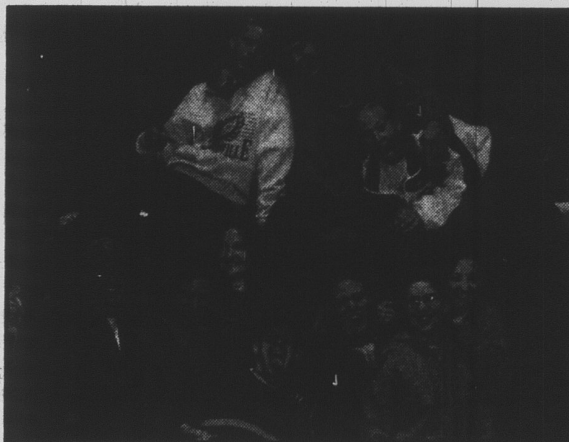


Photo by Aly Karg  
The Titan Traverse staff will lead the excursion to the Monongahela National Forest for Fall Retreat.

or these events should contact the Titan Traverse staff at the Student Affairs Office at ext. 7110. All students are welcome and may sign-up for activities by e-mail to (montgosr@westminster.edu).

## Healthy Living

### Abdominal breathing calms anxious nerves during tense moments

By Babs Quincy  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

**Natural Breathing:** The first breathing skill is called natural breathing, or abdominal breathing. This is a good way to breathe all day long unless you are doing physical activity. It's very simple and goes like this:

1. Gently and slowly inhale a normal amount of air through your nose, filling only your lungs. (Your stomach will expand while your upper chest remains still.)
2. Exhale easily.
3. Continue this gentle breathing pattern with a relaxed attitude, concentrating on filling only the lower lungs.

As you see, this breathing pattern is opposite of that which comes automatically during anxious moments. Instead of breathing rapidly and shallowly into upper lungs, which expand the chest, you breathe gently into the lower lungs, expanding the abdomen.

**Calming Breath:** The second technique is deep diaphragmatic breathing and can be used during times you are feeling anxious or panicky. It is a powerful way to control hyperventilating, rapid heartbeat and promote physical comfort. Here's how it goes:

1. Take a long, slow breath in through your nose, first filling your lower lungs, then your upper lungs.
2. Hold your breath to the count of "three".
3. Exhale slowly through pursed lips, while you relax the muscles in your face, shoulders, and stomach.

Practice this calming breath at least ten times a day for several weeks. Use it during times of transition, between classes or whenever you want to let go of tension and experience a sense of calmness. Use it anytime you are beginning to feel panicky.

**Calming Counts:** The third technique is called calming counts. It has two benefits over calming breath. First, it takes longer to complete: about 90 seconds instead of 30 seconds. You will be spending that time concentrating on a specific task instead of paying so much attention to your worried thoughts. If you can let time pass without such intense focus on your fearful thoughts, you will have a better chance at controlling those thoughts. Secondly, all three exercises help access the Calming Response. That means you will be giving yourself 90 seconds to cool your body out and quiet your thoughts. Then after that time has passed, you will be less anxious than you were. Here's how this skill works:

1. Sit comfortably.
2. Take a long, deep breath and exhale it slowly while saying the word, "relax" silently.
3. Close your eyes.
4. Let yourself take ten natural, easy breaths. Count down with each exhale, starting with "ten".
5. This time, while you are breathing comfortably, notice any tensions, perhaps in your jaw or forehead or stomach. Imagine these tensions loosening.
6. When you reach "one", open your eyes again.

This can be a powerful technique for stopping the momentum of anxiety and/or a panic reaction when the first signs come on.

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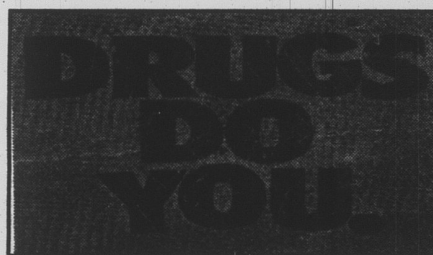
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Despite the incredibly large amount of preparation needed for the re-accreditation process, Deegan is optimistic about the future. "I am very confident that Westminster's continuing accreditation is not at risk," Deegan said.

To read more about Westminster's re-accreditation, look on the R: drive, in the R:\Accreditation folder.



# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Killer of 11-year-old boy found on North Side

By Michael A. Fuoco  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

A homeless man who aroused the suspicions of homicide investigators as early as Tuesday afternoon and whose background fit that of an FBI profile was charged yesterday in the brutal killing and mutilation of 11-year-old Scott C. Drake of East Allegheny.

The arrest of Joseph Glenn Cornelius, 47, was the culmination of an intensive 42-hour investigation by 70 city and county detectives, FBI agents and state police. And one that authorities said was greatly aided by community help.

Although police would not confirm it, the fact that Cornelius was arrested without an affidavit supporting a warrant indicated that he confessed to the crime.

Deputy Police Chief Charles Moffatt said only, "If we didn't feel certain that this was the guy, we wouldn't have arrested him."

Cornelius, who is known on the street as "Poppa Joe," was jailed without bond pending a coroner's hearing Oct. 6.

So rare and brutal was the case — only two similar cases, one each in the United States and Germany, have been reported — that the FBI on Tuesday dispatched two profilers from its National Center for the Analysis of Violent Crime in Quantico, Va., to help.

The profilers told detectives Tuesday night that because the slaying, by asphyxiation, was not done in an efficient manner, they likely were looking for someone who hadn't killed before.

Also, they said, it probably was someone who was homeless and had a minor police record for crimes such as disorderly conduct.

Cornelius, a Uniontown native, was homeless, spending time both in Beechview and the North Side. He has a record for minor crimes.

And, as it turned out, detectives were led to Cornelius through neighborhood tips — from a truck driver, from nurses at Allegheny

General Hospital and from an off-duty Pittsburgh police officer.

All of them reported seeing the youth on his silver bicycle talking to a man later identified as Cornelius about 7 p.m. Sunday at East Ohio Street and Madison Avenue, an intersection about five blocks from Scott's Lockhart Street home.

The boy's nude body was discovered by detectives Monday about 9:45 p.m. in a grass and shrub-filled lot on East Ohio Street. His body was found about 150 feet from where he was last seen. The victim's genitalia had been cut off, and the body parts were missing. His trunk, from sternum to abdomen, had been sliced, probably with a knife.

Police began looking for Scott after he was reported missing at 11:40 p.m. Sunday. After his body was found Monday night, they searched for clues and canvassed the area, looking for anything linking the boy with the person who had killed him.



AP File Photo  
Joseph Glenn Cornelius

### Yarbrough sentenced to death for students murder

By Cindi Lash  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

STUEBENVILLE, Ohio — Dry-eyed and unmoved by pleas for him to repent and to at last reveal what his victims said to him before he shot them on a marshy Washington County hilltop, convicted murderer Terrell Yarbrough dared a judge to follow a jury's recommendation and sentence him to death.

"If I'm gonna die, then let me die," Yarbrough muttered last night to Jefferson County Common Pleas Judge Joseph J. Bruzzese Jr. Seconds later, Bruzzese complied, ordering

Yarbrough to die in Ohio's electric chair for the kidnapping and slaying of Franciscan University students Aaron Land and Brian Muha.

Bruzzese imposed the death sentence recommended by the jury that last week convicted Yarbrough, 20, of East Liberty, of 12 counts of aggravated murder and other charges in the May 31, 1999 abduction and slaying of Land and Muha and the carjacking of Squirrel Hill psychologist Barbara Vey.

The jury of eight women and four men issued that recommendation at 5:25 p.m. yes-

terday, nearly seven hours after beginning deliberations in the penalty phase of Yarbrough's trial.

Bruzzese also sentenced Yarbrough to 66 1/2 years in prison as a result of his conviction on charges of kidnapping, aggravated robbery, aggravated burglary, gross sexual imposition, grand theft auto and receiving stolen property. Yarbrough immediately told the judge he would appeal.

Land, 20, of Philadelphia, and Muha, 18, of Westerville, Ohio, were in Steubenville to attend summer classes at Franciscan University when they were abducted from their off-campus apartment by Yarbrough and his accomplice, Nathan Herring, 19, of

Steubenville. The students then were driven into Pennsylvania in a Chevrolet Blazer stolen from Muha and shot to death.

Their bodies were found four days later, hidden under a wild rose bush on a hill off Route 22 in Robinson, Washington County.



AP File Photo  
Terrell Yarbrough

Herring also was convicted of 12 counts of aggravated murder and was sentenced to life in prison without parole in August.

Yarbrough sat stone-faced, tilting his wooden chair backward and rocking on its two legs while the verdicts were read. He did not weep or bury his head in his lap, as he did through much of the trial and the statements presented by relatives of the men he killed.

### —Regional Briefs— Man sentenced in Jeannette shooting death

A Pittsburgh man acquitted of murder was sentenced Thursday to one to two years in prison for his involvement in the 1998 fatal shooting of a Jeannette man during a drug deal.

Johnson was convicted last week of reckless endangerment in the death of Tywonn "Wink" Smith, 26, of 708 Scott Ave., Jeannette.

Defense attorney Leslie Uncapher said Johnson received the maximum sentence for the misdemeanor offense. Smith was shot four times by Kalief Malik Rethage, 19, of 1430 Mellon St., Pittsburgh. Rethage was convicted of third-degree murder and will be sentenced later this year.

### Former inspector sentenced for charging padded bills

Former bridge inspector Victor Stivason will lose 10 months of freedom for approving padded bills charged to PennDOT in exchange for the free use of a backhoe.

Stivason, 46, of Curwensville, Clearfield County, was sentenced Thursday in U.S. District Court in Pittsburgh to five months in jail and five months of home detention.

### University of Pennsylvania gene therapy causes lawsuit over boy's death

PHILADELPHIA — The family of Jesse Gelsinger Monday filed a long-expected lawsuit against the University of Pennsylvania for wrongful death, assault and battery and fraud, a year and a day after the 18-year-old young man died in a Penn gene therapy experiment.

Gelsinger died on Sep 17, 1999 while under the care of Penn's Institute for Human Gene Therapy. Since his death, the U.S. government has made multiple charges of wrongdoing against the Institute and its director, James M. Wilson. The incident has had widespread ramifications on the entire field of gene therapy.

In addition to the University as a whole, the suit names as defendants all three men

who ran the experiment in which Gelsinger was enrolled — Wilson, Mark Batshaw and Steven Raper.

It also names former Health System CEO William Kelley, who recruited Wilson to Penn and ran the Health System and Medical School at the time of Gelsinger's death; Arthur Caplan, the director of Penn's Center for Bioethics; Genovo Inc., the genetic research firm founded by Wilson and which until recently was a major source of funding for the IHGT; the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; and the Children's National Medical Center in Washington.

In a statement released Monday, the

University expressed its remorse over Gelsinger's death but continued to deny that its researchers are to blame.

"The complaint filed today, by its nature, tells only one version of a very complicated and painful story," the statement reads. "Throughout the last year Penn has readily acknowledged weaknesses in IHGT's monitoring and oversight of clinical trials. At the same time, the University continues to believe that these weaknesses did not contribute to Jesse's death."

The suit, filed Monday in Philadelphia Common Pleas Court, says that both Kelley and Wilson had financial ties to the IHGT's

research that may have influenced their decisions.

The allegations in the suit are similar to ones made last winter by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, which suspended all clinical trials at the IHGT last January. In May, the University announced that it would scale back the IHGT's scope, limiting it to just animal and cellular research.

The allegations include that researchers understated the risks of the experiment to Gelsinger, that they changed the research methodology without consulting the necessary regulatory boards, and that they failed to disclose Wilson's alleged conflict of interest.



## NATIONAL

## Students aren't getting their money's worth out of an education

SAN DIEGO — It takes thousands of dollars to get through college, but a recent national survey found students don't think they're getting their money's worth.

The survey, conducted by the Foundation for Academic Standards, concluded that 68.7 percent of college students want to be challenged more by their professors. About 1,000 college students nationwide were randomly interviewed on the phone for the survey.

A philosophy sophomore at San Diego State University, Hubert Vigilla, believes that it should be in the best interest of professors to intellectually challenge their students, not to let them get off easily.

"For the most part, I guess in some entry

level classes — (of which)

I won't name names — I felt it was just worth B.S.," he said. "Some of them were a waste of time; a waste of money. It felt like I was in high school again."

For business junior Steven Rodriguez, some classes are more difficult than others.

"Certain classes are obviously tougher than other ones, but most of my classes are structured where it's strictly based on lectures and exams," he said. "I've taken a few business classes that definitely have been challenging; whereas, the electives are lecture-based — they're not really that challenging at all."

Rodriguez said he prefers classes that base

grading on tests only.

Lectures, a midterm and a final — to him, those are the most challenging.

The survey also revealed that students are generally satisfied with their education and professors. A whopping 90.2 percent rated the quality of their education as good or excellent.

Rhetoric and writing studies professor Linn Bekins said she knows her student want to be challenged. She said she finds the student mind to be very active and that people naturally ask a lot of questions.

"I think that's a virtue of students wanting to be challenged," she said. "I want students to be challenged and I also want them to know

that I'm here to support them on that."

Accounting junior Kenny Nguyen said he was surprised to see SDSU ranked low on the annual college ranking by The U.S. News and World Report. SDSU was ranked in the lowest quartile of national universities — schools that offer master and joint doctoral programs. Regardless of what the surveys say, Nguyen said he is satisfied with how his professors are teaching him at SDSU.

"(SDSU) was listed in the very bottom of the ranking," he said. "But,

I definitely feel intellectual. My accounting class is very tough."

## Vassar students, faculty rally over professor selection process

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. — Vassar College students, faculty and community members rallied in front of Swift Hall on Sept. 20 to protest the history department's exclusion of the staff of the Program in Africana Studies from the selection process of an African-American history professor.

Beginning on Wednesday morning, community members gathered around a tent staked in front of Swift with signs reading, "Give me my major back" and "Stop neo-colonialism in the department." At 3 p.m. a rally began that included music, speakers from on and off-campus, guerilla theatre and an exorcism to expel negative spirits from the site of the history department.

"Exorcism is a religious tradition deeply rooted in the African tradition and African-American traditions," said Professor of Religion and Africana Studies Lawrence

Mamiya. "We went back to that religious dimension to begin the protest."

The protestors hoped to convince the History Department that a position focused on the African-American experience should be jointly appointed by the Department and the Africana Studies program.

"For close to 30 years, we shared a person who taught both African and African-American history," Mamiya said. "All we're asking is to share and to cooperate."

The protest was attended by Africana studies majors, members of student organizations — including the SAU, the Coalition Against Racism, the Black Students Union and Unbound — and concerned members of the surrounding community. "I was very pleased with the turnout and there was good participation from the local community as well," Mamiya said.

## Violence Against Women Act sparkes rally at the US Capitol

WASHINGTON — More than 250 men and women gathered on the East steps of the U.S. Capitol Friday to rally their support for the re-authorization of the Violence Against Women Act.

The legislation, which was approved in 1994, provides federal funding for battered women's shelters, rape crisis lines and sexual abuse education, and would provide continued funding for another five years.

While the legislation, H.R. 1248 and S. 2787, has 260 co-sponsors in the House of Representatives and 60 in the Senate, the bills have not yet been brought to the floor by party leadership in either chamber.

Activists had originally given congressional leadership a deadline of Sept. 15 to begin floor debate, but a week after the deadline, little had changed.

"Two weeks ago, we called on Congress to react," said Jodie Rabhamd, an event organizer and representative from the National Council of Jewish Women. "Well, we're still here and we're still waiting. Not another woman should be beaten, not another woman should be raped, while this bill waits."

Now, rally organizers said they fear the

legislation may not be passed before Congress adjourns in early October.

Federal funding from the 1994 VAWA legislation expires Oct. 1.

The legislation should be of particular interest to students, because it includes funding for education and crisis centers on college and university campuses nationwide, said Julie Beatty, vice president of the United States Student Association.

George Mason University — the largest university in Virginia — has used VAWA funding for four years to implement a center focused on sexual assault, said Connie Kirkland, director of the center.

The center employs three full-time employees and several student volunteers who conduct peer education and crisis counseling.

"Not so many years ago, college campuses thought they were immune to these types of crime," she said. "Sexual assault is the second most common crime on campuses today. This is not acceptable. Campuses are a microcosm of society with the good and the evil. With VAWA, we have a chance to eradicate the evil."

## National Briefs

## Twelfth case of West Nile virus reported

NEW YORK — A 52-year-old Staten Island man has become the 12th city resident this year to become infected with the West Nile virus. The man, whose identity was not released, apparently became infected in mid-August but tried to fight off symptoms including fever, joint and muscle pain, and dizziness. After he entered a hospital Tuesday, doctors diagnosed the virus. The man remains lethargic but is listed in stable condition, New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani said. Giuliani said the city will continue spraying city neighborhoods with pesticides to control the virus until at least mid-October, when freezing temperatures should wipe out most mosquitoes.

## Youth football games ends in melee

PORT ORANGE, Fla. — A youth football game ended in a brawl with more than 100 parents, coaches and teen-age players shouting and shoving one another and throwing punches after an overtime touchdown won the game. Police on Sunday were still debating who started Saturday's melee between the teams of 14- and 15-year-olds from Port Orange and Winter Springs. Police Cmdr. Michael Sheridan said the brawl began shortly after the home team, the Port Orange Hawks, scored a touchdown in overtime, winning the game 12-6. As the winners left the field, Sheridan said, members of the West Orange Wildcats followed. "There were some words exchanged and a fight broke out between the coaches and players of both teams," Sheridan said. "When the fight started, spectators from both sides started toward the fight, adding to the confusion and chaos."

## Car plunges off parking deck, killing 4

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. — A car crashed through the concrete-block wall of an ocean-front motel garage and plunged 41 feet to the ground, landing upside down and killing the four women inside. The cause of the accident remains under investigation as there were no signs of skid marks to indicate that the driver tried to stop. Witnesses said they heard the car's engine revving just before it crashed through the wall. All four victims were vacationing nurses from St. Vincent's Hospital in New York City.

## Parole OK'd for battered woman

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Gov. Gray Davis is allowing the release of a battered woman who shot her boyfriend in 1986, but says she must serve the minimum sentence first. Although there were "extraordinary and compelling circumstances" favoring the release of Rose Ann Parker, 41, the gravity of her crime persuaded Davis to add conditions to her parole. Parker must undergo periodic tests for marijuana use and attend parenting classes, in addition to the ones imposed by the board. She was convicted of second-degree murder for the March 1986 killing of her boyfriend. When he threatened her with a gun upon learning she had become pregnant by an ex-boyfriend, Parker took his gun and shot him.

## Passengers trapped aboard roller coaster

BUENA PARK, Calif. — Two dozen passengers on a roller coaster were trapped 30 feet in the air for two hours after a guest's jacket jammed between a car and its track, the second accident in two days at a Southern California amusement park. None of the 25 passengers aboard the Jaguar! at Knott's Berry Farm was hurt. They climbed down ladders brought in by park workers and city firefighters, the fire department chief said. Park officials said the ride, which jammed Saturday night, would reopen Monday.

That accident happened a day after a small child fell out of a car on a slow-moving Disneyland ride in Anaheim and was struck by another car. The 4-year-old boy remained in critical condition Sunday with a lacerated liver, damage to his diaphragm and bruises.

## Snow hits parts of Colorado, Nebraska

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — A snow storm that blanketed Wyoming with a record early snowfall, turned its fury on Colorado and Nebraska Sunday. The storm dumped up to 15 inches of snow in Colorado's northern mountains and about 6 inches in lower elevations. Several power outages were reported south of Denver. The storm also covered the western half of Nebraska, with nearly 9 inches falling at Harrisburg, Neb. Freezing temperatures were expected to continue Monday, with warmer temperatures on the way.



## INTERNATIONAL

### Yugoslav opposition declares victory

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia - Claiming victory in an election marked by fraud allegations, Slobodan Milosevic's opponents warned that the Yugoslav president may try to rig the vote in a desperate attempt to keep the power he has wielded for 13 years. An estimated 74% of the country's 7.6 million voters cast ballots in the election. By midmorning Monday, election officials had still not released any official numbers from Sunday's elections, nor had they resumed work suspended the night of the vote. With the Democratic Opposition of Serbia party claimed its candidate had won, no one in Milosevic's Socialist Party was willing to go on the record as to the results. If no candidate ends up with an absolute majority, a runoff will be held Oct. 8.

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PARIS - Setting an all-time high for voter apathy in France, nearly 70% of voters abstained from a referendum to shorten the presidential term to five years, according to final results released Monday. Some 11.9 million of France's 39.5 million registered voters took part in Sunday's referendum, which will reduce the presidential term from seven years to five as of the next presidential term in 2002, which means that 27.5 million - or 69.7% - abstained from the vote. Abysmal participation in Sunday's vote indicated that many French voters were more concerned about social, wage, educational and health care issues than political reform.

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### Thousands flee Philippine assault

JOEO, Philippines - More than 36,000 villagers have fled their homes to escape a heavy military assault on Muslim rebels holding 17 hostages on a small southern Philippine island, officials said Monday. Military officials said troops were still searching for the hostages - 10 days after the assault began and the separatist Abu Sayyaf rebels took off - and gave no indication of when the fighting would end. Unconfirmed reports continued to grow of civilian casualties and heavy damage to villages from the attack, which involved some 4,000 troops. But the military continued to insist that only one civilian has been killed and four injured in the fighting.

Floods leave millions homeless

DHAKA, Bangladesh - Soldiers in India and Bangladesh joined volunteers Monday to help evacuate millions forced from their homes by torrential rains and floods that have killed at least 388 people past week. Monsoon rains sent water rushing over riverbanks and dams, submerging highways, villages and the homes of more than 10 million people in eastern India and 200,000 in Bangladesh. In some villages, mobs attacked relief

centers and rescue workers scrambled to reach marooned residents by boat, evacuating them to higher ground. Health officials reported waterborne diseases such as diarrhea

and fever have broken out in the flood-hit areas.

### Two arrested for Indonesia bombings

JAKARTA, Indonesia - After initially denying any military involvement in a spate of bombings that have terrorized Jakarta, Indonesia's newly installed police chief admitted today that two of 27 suspects arrested were armed forces members. However, police Gen. Bimantoro said the two suspects had acted as individuals. He denied suggestions that the military as a whole was behind the deadly blasts, which included an explosion at the Jakarta Stock Exchange on Sept. 13 that killed 15.

### Korean defense chiefs meet

CHEJU, South Korea - In a major step toward peace along the world's most heavily fortified border, the defense ministers of South and North Korea pledged at a historic meeting today to work to end mistrust and confrontation along the tense frontier, South Korean officials said. The meeting between South Korean Defense Minister Cho Sung-tae and Kim Il Chul, minister of the People's Army of North Korea, marked one of the most significant steps toward rapprochement on the divided Korean Peninsula since a June summit of the leaders of both Koreas. During their 1.50-hour talk, Cho and Kim "shared a basic understanding" that their militaries should support the agreements of the summit, during which the two Koreas agreed to seek eventual reunification, said Brig. Gen.

### Two dead in violent confrontations in Bolivia

LA PAZ, Bolivia - Farmers protesting destruction of coca-leaf plants clashed with soldiers trying to end their demonstrations Sunday, leaving two farmers dead and seven injured in the latest in a string of violent con-

frontations. Coca-leaf farmers have set up roadblocks that have interrupted traffic on the country's main highway for a week, including sections that go through the country's coca-leaf producing region. Soldiers have been unable to clear them. Authorities suspect that the farmers were killed by a truck driver.

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## Olympic News

### Freeman captures 400 meters

SYDNEY - Cathy Freeman became the first Aborigine to win an individual Olympic gold medal, winning the women's 400 meters Monday in 49.11 seconds. Lorraine Graham of Jamaica won silver in 49.58 and Katharine Merry of Britain was the bronze medalist.

### Dragila gets first pole vault gold

SYDNEY - Stacy Dragila of the United States won the first Olympic women's pole vault gold medal Monday with a vault of 15 feet, 1 inch (4.60 meters). Tatiana Grigorieva of Australia won the silver and Vala Flodadottir of Iceland the bronze.

### Busy night for track finals

SYDNEY - On the busiest night of track and field at the Sydney Games, Gabriela Szabo of Romania set an Olympic record in the women's 5,000 meters and Maria Mutola gave Mozambique its first Olympic gold medal by winning the women's 800. Also, Britain's Jonathan Edwards won the men's triple jump, Anier Garcia of Cuba won the men's 110-meter hurdles and Lithuania's Virgilijus Alekna won the men's discus.

### IAAF: USA's Hunter failed drug test

SYDNEY - The Olympics were rocked Monday by a drug scandal involving the United States. The IAAF (international track federation) confirmed that U.S. shot putter C.J. Hunter, the 1999 world champion and the husband of star sprinter/long jumper Marion Jones, tested positive in July for a banned substance. According to various reports, Hunter tested positive for the steroid nandrolone and testosterone at a meet in Oslo.

Norway. Under the rules of the U.S. governing body for the sport, USA Track & Field, Hunter is entitled to a hearing before he faces a two-year ban.

### U.S. men finish prelims with win over France

SYDNEY - Vince Carter stole the ball and had just one thing between him and the basket - 7-foot-2 center Frederic Weis. He went over him like Weis was a prop in a dunk contest. Looking like a contender for the gold medal in the high jump, Carter unleashed one of the most awesome dunks in Olympic history Monday as the United States overcame another lackluster start to defeat France 106-94. The Americans finished the preliminary

round undefeated in five games and raised their overall Olympic record to 106-2. And in those 108 games, it's safe to say there has never been a dunk quite like the one Carter made. Not by Michael Jordan, not by Spencer Haywood, not by Clyde Drexler. It might even have been better than anything Carter pulled off in the NBA slam dunk contest last February.

### U.S. will play for the gold

BLACKTOWN - The U.S. softball team earned a trip to the gold medal game with a 1-0 win over Australia in the nightcap of a doubleheader on Monday. Cheered on by their baseball brethren in the morning and their soccer sisters at night, the U.S. avenged two of its three first-round losses. Having beaten China and Australia in the day-night doubleheader, Team USA will have another chance at revenge in Tuesday's gold medal game. The U.S. will take on Japan, the team that ended the Americans' 112-game winning streak earlier in the tournament.

### Venus reaches tennis singles final

SYDNEY - Venus Williams extended her winning streak to 31 matches and advanced to the women's final of Sydney Games with a 6-1, 4-6, 6-3 victory over fellow American

Monica Seles on Monday (Sunday night ET). The second-seeded Williams will face the winner of the Jelena Dokic-Elena Dementieva semifinal in the gold medal match.

### Nemov wins sixth Olympic medal

SYDNEY - Alexei Nemov of Russia won his sixth medal - and second gold - of the Olympics on Monday, winning the high bar with a score of 9.787 to go with his gold medal in the men's all-around competition. Nemov won bronze medals in the parallel bars and pommel horse and a silver in the floor exercise. He will also take home a bronze medal he won with his fellow Russians in the team competition. Benjamin Varonian of France won the silver in the high bar and Lee Joo-hyung of South Korea the bronze.

Gervasio Deferr of Spain won the Olympic gold medal Monday in the vault with a score of 9.712. Alexei Bondarenko of Russia won the silver and Leszek Blanik of Poland the bronze. In the parallel bars, China's Xiaopeng Li won the gold with a score of 9.825. Joo-Hyung Lee of South Korea took the silver with a 9.812 and Alexei Nemov scored a 9.800 to win the bronze.



# FEATURE

## We are the people in your neighborhood

This week featuring: Gabriel Michael Raphael Verga and Eileen Elizabeth Hendrickson

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR

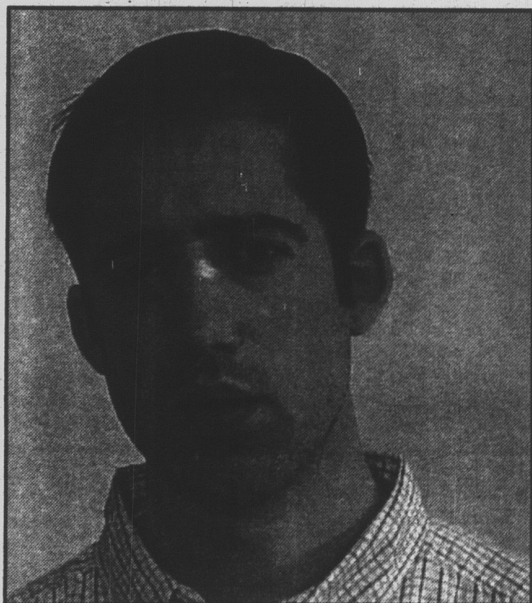


Photo by Meghan Duda  
Gabe Verga

**Name:** Gabriel Michael Raphael Verga  
**Hometown:** Erie, PA  
**Nickname:** "Gabe" "David Schwimmer" and "Ross"  
**Year at WC:** Senior  
**Major:** Political Science/Spanish  
**Pet Peeve:** "Not being able to sleep."

**SB: What do you feel is your greatest talent?**  
Ross: Being able to understand people.

**SB: If given a large sum of money, what would you splurge on?**  
Ross: Gifts.

**SB: What is your sign? Do you feel that has any impact on your life?**  
Ross: Cancer. No. I read it just to get a kick out of it once in awhile but...

**SB: If you could be any cartoon character, who would you be?**  
Ross: Batman-because he has a cape, a car, mask and cool gadgets.

**SB: When you were little what did you want to be when you grew up? What are you now?**  
Ross: A detective and intelligence work when I was little. Now, I'm a student undecided between law school and education.

**Name:** Eileen Elizabeth Hendrickson  
**Hometown:** Chicago, IL  
**Nickname:** Yes. But I won't give it to you.  
**Year at WC:** 2nd Full-time. I taught part-time about 10 years ago.  
**Department:** Theatre  
**Pet Peeve:** "When things don't stay on schedule."

**SB: What do you feel is your greatest talent?**  
Hendrickson: Well I don't know about greatest talent, but what I love the most is working with students.

**SB: If given a large sum of money, what would you splurge on?**  
Hendrickson: I would probably use part of it to be a philanthropist for young high school students interested in art, music and theatre. Then I would buy myself a 1964 Chevelle Malibu convertible.

**SB: What is your sign? Do you feel that has any impact on your life?**  
Hendrickson: Scorpio. No, I do not feel it has any impact on my life. I never pay attention to horoscopes.

**SB: If you could be any cartoon character, who would you be?**  
Hendrickson: Road Runner-he's fast.

**SB: When you were little what did you want to be when you grew up? What are you now?**  
Hendrickson: A teacher.



Photo by Sara Bozich  
Eileen Hendrickson

## Refund check confusion leaves heads spinning

By Sara Bozich  
STAFF WRITER

I go to the Financial Aid Office-maybe the first day of school-to make sure that the loan I've so carefully taken out has gone through without any problems. They say "yes" so I go to the Business Office and check every now and again to make sure it gets here. Then it gets here and I find out I can't have it for another week and a half. Then a week and a half is up and I'm told I can't have it for another week. Well, I had been broke for two weeks and had already begun to pay my bills at this point, thinking that I'm getting a check on Friday.

Well I called and I wasn't completely pleasant, although I had every right to be upset, but they did me a "favor" and cut me a check. For some reason the woman who cuts checks (and no one ever mentions her name) is somehow only capable of doing this once a week, even though a check is legally binding on anything you can write on.

Granted this whole mess was turned around on me because I was never informed that I must formally put in a request for my refund check. Now this REALLY angers me since this really doesn't have anything at all to do with the school and they just take it and clear my balance and keep the rest of it sitting in there. What if I didn't know I was supposed to go ask for this check? What if someone else was going to pay the rest of my balance-like my parents? I don't think the business office should decide what I do with my money. MY money.

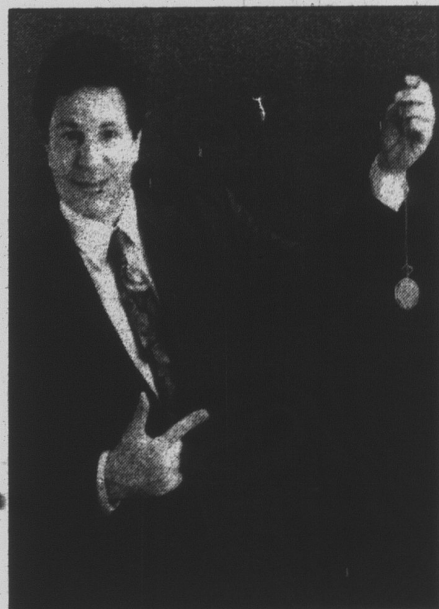
And the funniest part is when the woman at the window told me that I couldn't have my check, she didn't seem the least bit concerned that I was broke. I told her that I had checks that were going to bounce-she laughed. Um, hello-the reason we take loans out is because WE DON'T HAVE THE MONEY.

So guess what I just got in the mail today...a notice. Yes, from the bank-because for some reason my check sat in the business office for a week and a half before they could give it to me-causing me to bounce checks. Okay I understand that for some reason beyond my mental comprehension of banking and accounting that this PERSONAL loan I took out HAS to go through the school-just for the heck of it, apparently. Note: this is not a Stafford Loan. I already have one of those too. This is what PNC Bank calls a Resource Loan. It is MY money to be used for whatever I need it to go to while I'm in school.

When this school first started out it was so poor it nearly shut down several times until New Wilmington would hand them a bunch of cash. Now the school is so over-run with money it doesn't realize the importance of it anymore. I know some people pay full tuition here, but I doubt that it is the majority. Perhaps they could afford to drop the attitude and cut some slack to those of us who aren't as financially advantaged as others. Or really, all I need is the knowledge. If I know the rules, I won't come barking at you because you did me wrong-unless you did. If I had known about putting in a formal request ahead of time (even though I kind of thought I did) this whole matter never would have enraged me.

## Tom DeLuca to hypnotise another crowd in Orr

By Heidi Krieger  
STAFF WRITER



Nationally renowned hypnotist Tom DeLuca will be coming to the campus at 8 p.m., Sept. 29 in Orr Auditorium.

DeLuca's show is normally divided into two parts, mind reading and hypnosis. His show is based on audience participation; volunteers flock to the stage and DeLuca hypnotizes them to the amusement of the audience.

While hypnotized, the participants will be asked to do various tasks, such as singing and dancing, or talking like aliens. However, DeLuca draws the line at vulgar or entirely embarrassing things.

"There are many performers doing what he does, but they all take it too far," associate dean of student affairs Camille Hawthorne said. "Tom does a 'clean' show."

"He's amazing," said Campus Programming Committee Chair Dana Glunt. "Every year he does something different."

If you are wondering what being hypnotized is like, a few people around campus could tell you.

"You are aware of what you are doing, but everything Tom DeLuca said sounded like such a great idea," senior Luke Schuster said. Schuster was hypnotized at DeLuca's show two years ago.

Hypnosis does not work on everyone, however.

"He tried to hypnotize me, but it didn't work. I think everyone else was acting," junior DJ Zaccari said.

"Usually the people who think they can't be hypnotized end up getting hypnotized," Glunt said.

Many people at Westminster are excited for the upcoming show.

"I missed his show freshman year, but I've heard so many good things about him, I can't wait to see him this year," junior Laura Stanley said.



## SPORTS

### Poor weather doesn't hinder Titans win over West Liberty

By Brian Najar  
STAFF WRITER

The Titans improved their record to 2-1 in a 17-6 win over West Liberty Sept. 23. An eleven-yard touchdown pass from senior QB James Graham to senior WR Brian Lipiello in the third quarter secured the win.

The Titans traveled to Wheeling Stadium to take on the Hilltoppers during their annual Alumni Bowl, which would have been more aptly named the Mud Bowl. An all-day rain and lightning played a role in the contest.

Coach Jerry Schmitt said "the weather affected a lot of the play calling on both sides of the ball (offense and defense)."

The Hilltoppers were the first on the board, scoring in the first quarter when QB James Rine completed a 20-yard touchdown pass to WR Ryan Russel. This was West Liberty's only score of the game.

The Titans countered in the second quarter when Graham rushed one yard into the end zone for a touchdown. Junior kicker Jon McCartney chipped in the extra-point to give Westminster the lead going into half time.

Schmitt's half time talk encouraged the team. He told his players: "If we keep playing the way we have been in the first half, some good things will happen. We just need to eliminate

the mistakes."

A fumble recovery in the third quarter by senior LB Don Augustine led to a McCartney field goal from the West Liberty 40-yard line, increasing the Titan lead to 10-6.

An interception by Augustine gave the Titans the football for their last score of the game. Graham completed an 11-yard pass to Lipiello. McCartney then kicked the field goal for the final score, 17-6.

The two-hour trip was the farthest the Titans will have to travel as new PAC members. This is good news for senior Jason Hunter who said: "The farther you travel, the more it takes out of you. You also tend to cramp more on the longer rides home."

Coach Schmitt said the new schedule is "better because of the closer rivalries between Grove City and Thiel. Physically, you don't get as fatigued, academically, you don't get behind."



Photo by Courtney Behm  
Erick Pabis, Eric Witt, Andy Soltez and Cory Shaw line up to defend the Titans' goal.

### Men's soccer improves record with wins over Allegheny, Lake Erie

By Justin DeCapua  
STAFF WRITER



Photo by Aly Karg  
The men's soccer team remains unbeaten in their last three games.

The men's soccer team, now unbeaten in its last three games, recently improved its record to 3-2-1 by defeating Allegheny and Lake Erie Colleges during two non-conference contests.

"Both wins are huge confidence builders due to the quality of the competition," said head coach Girish Thakar.

On the road, the Titans battled Allegheny for a 1-0 lead in the first half off the foot of sophomore Tony Arrigo. Twenty minutes into the second half, freshman Matthew Roser helped lift the Titans to a 2-0 lead.

"Because our seniors have never beaten Allegheny, they wanted this win bad," freshman Todd Fisher said. "This inspired the younger members of the team to step it up."

Allegheny answered the Titan attack by scoring back-to-back goals. With only minutes remaining, senior Jake Joyce secured the victory with a final score

before the game clock expired.

"Allegheny was a huge win for us," said Joyce. "This was what we needed to get our season rolling."

At home against Lake Erie, the Titans entered half time in a 1-1 deadlock attributed to an early score by Arrigo.

"Our guys entered this game knowing they could play with anyone. After half time, they knew they could win," said Thakar. "Our team is young, but our seniors have paid their dues and have learned how to finish strong. I can see this rubbing off on everyone."

Two minutes into the second half, senior Ryan Mathieu helped boost Westminster to a 2-1 lead off an assist by Arrigo.

The Titans went on to string together five more unanswered goals produced by Arrigo, senior Derek Baumgartner, sophomore Pasquale Reino, and freshman Todd Fisher.

"We are playing how we should," Reino said. "We are executing the game plan just like we want."

Sophomore goalkeeper Kevin Humberston contributed by stopping 15 Allegheny shots at the net, earning the win.

"Our goal is to break the school's record of nine wins," said Reino. "If we continue like this we will be at least above 500 at the end of the season."

The Titan varsity and junior varsity combine to make up a 30-man roster.

"We only have four seniors playing varsity right now," Thakar said. "This makes us a fairly young team, but from the way we played Allegheny and Lake Erie it's hard to tell."

### Lady Titans dominate PAC play with wins over Thiel and Bethany

By Adam Corbett  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan volleyball team swept Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) competition Bethany and Thiel Colleges on Sept. 20 and 21 to improve their overall record to 11-6 on the season.

The Lady Titans beat Bethany College in their first PAC match-up of the season, 15-9, 15-10 and 15-11 on Sept. 20 in Bethany, W.Va. Sophomore outside hitter Monica Asher led the way, posting a team-best nine kills, while senior outside hitter Brooke Engles, junior outside hitter Shannon Simmons and sophomore middle hitter Suzanne Fitz each added eight kills apiece. Sophomore setter Carolee Reed set a team-high 20 assists, while freshman setter Jessica Young added 12 of her own. Sophomore middle hitter Katie Spehar added five blocks: three solo and two assists.

On the following evening, the Lady Titans defeated rival Thiel College 15-5, 15-5, and 15-4, improving their

overall record to 11-6 and their PAC record to 2-0. Spehar led this match with a team-high 10 kills, followed by Engles and Fitz with seven kills apiece. Reed and Young set up 18 and 11 assists, respectively, while Asher added a team-high three service aces in the win. "The crowd definitely helped us, it was nice to see all the support," Asher said.

Asher said the Titans are confident in their play right now, adding: "Coach Swearingen is working us a lot harder this year, even though we moved down a division and are playing competition not as tough as last year. It's really starting to pay off and we should be a very tough team to compete with."



Photo by Courtney Behm  
Sophomore Katie Spehar digs a ball to add to the Titans' outstanding play in the PAC.



## Drug violations stealing the gold

By Meredith Etcher  
Sports Editor

The 2000 Olympics have been full of world records and outstanding performances, but it has also been marred by drug controversies. Marion Jones, the fastest woman in the world, may not be able to run fast enough to escape the scandal that has surrounded her. Jones' pursuit of an unprecedented five golds became more than a series of sprints and a long jump Monday when she was swept up in the disgrace her husband, world shot put champion C.J. Hunter, brought on by testing positive for the anabolic steroid nandrolone. She lined up all smiles for the 100 meters two days earlier, as oblivious to pressure as she was to any threat from her rivals. That was just a race and she blew away the competition.

The 330-pound Hunter, most prominent of the athletes accused during the games of drug violations, had been among the favorites for a shot put gold medal in Sydney before he withdrew two weeks ago. Contacted in his hotel room, he declined to discuss his case or the impact it is having on his wife. After a day of unconfirmed reports and rumors, the announcement was made that Hunter tested positive for nandrolone and faced a two-year suspension if found guilty of a doping offense.

Now the daunting task the 24-year-old Jones set for herself on the track has turned into a test of all the inner strength she can muster, starting with the 200 heats and long jump qualifying on Wednesday. No one is accusing Jones of using banned performance-enhancers. However, she cannot avoid questions about whether she knew her husband used nandrolone and how the disclosure of his drug tests are affecting her.

Romania's Andreea Raducan was stripped of her all-around gymnastics gold medal after testing positive for a banned stimulant. The decision Monday night to strip the medal of the 16-year-old, who's drawn comparisons to Nadia Comaneci for her looks and talent, was made by the IOC's executive board, following the recommendation from its medical commission.

The team doctor who gave Raducan the drug in two cold medicine pills was expelled from the games and suspended through the 2002 winter games in Salt Lake and 2004 summer games in Athens. Thomas Bach, a member of the International Olympic Committee's executive board, confirmed the decisions.

Raducan is the first gymnast to be stripped of a medal because of a drug violation, and is the second athlete at these games to lose a gold. She is the sixth positive drug case at the Sydney Games. With Raducan's disqualification, another Romanian, Simona Amanar, gets the gold and teammate Maria Olaru goes from bronze to silver. Liu Xuan of China, the original fourth-place finisher, now gets the bronze medal. Raducan was allowed to keep her other medals, a gold from the team competition and a silver from the vault.

## Lady soccer team improves record to 3-5

By Melissa Batulis  
STAFF WRITER

After ending their two-game winning streak with a 2-5 loss to non-conference opponent Roberts Wesleyan College Sept. 16, the Lady Titan soccer team redeemed themselves Sept. 20 against Bethany College crushing their opponents 10-1, and raising their overall record to 3-5.

Westminster kept their opponents scoreless throughout the game, holding a 6-0 lead at the half, then building up to a 10-0 advantage in the second half. Bethany avoided the shutout with a penalty kick in the closing minutes of the game.

Junior goalie Sarah Morrison faced 10 shots in the game and made four saves. Morrison admitted that the team did not know what to expect going into the game. "We

played [Bethany] my freshman year and won. They did win the conference last year though, so we were a little unsure," Sarah said.

Because of the considerable lead, freshmen saw more time on the field. Freshman Alyssa Pyle added several assists, while freshman Danielle White posted a goal. "I think I played pretty well. I hustled, I went to the ball, and had some great passes. I am a freshman though and I have a lot to learn," White said.

After sitting out three games with a broken toe, junior forward Ashley Pyle returned to the action. Pyle and sophomore forward Katie Krone added hat-tricks to the victory.



Photo by Aly Karg  
Ashley Pyle juggles the ball away from a defender.

## Women's tennis defeats Thiel, Waynesburg

By Laurel Miller  
STAFF WRITER

The Lady Titan tennis team beat Thiel 9-0 Sept. 19 for their second win in a row.

Sophomore Annie Muir is the first singles player, and won her match 6-0, 6-0. She paired with fellow sophomore, Suzanne Leyden, for a first doubles win. Lone senior Ellen Johnston, who holds the second singles position, won her match as well. Junior Brenda Rowland is third singles, and competed along with doubles partner, junior Shannon Haines, to win with a doubles score of 8-2. Rowland and Haines have remained undefeated in conference play, while Haines, who played at the fourth singles spot, has posted a no loss record so far this season. The team's fifth singles player is newcomer Carra Dixon, who also plays third doubles

with sophomore Molly Householder. Sophomore Suzanne Leyden will be back in the starting seven at the #3 singles spot as soon as she has healed from her injury.

Once again on the road, the girls made a two-hour trip to Waynesburg College Sept. 21. The team posted a 7-2 win over the Yellow Jackets, increasing their win streak to three. The team has led a remarkable season thus far, despite dealing with several injuries requiring roster adjustments. On a positive note, the team has been very successful in overcoming their injuries to pull out an undefeated record.

"With the majority of the team injured, we have pulled together to support each other 100%," Muir said. "With our coach's motivation and the girls' willingness to make some changes in the line-up to benefit our team, we have maintained a great record in the PAC. It is all about team work for us."

The Titans face PAC rival champion Grove City Sept. 26 on home turf before traveling to Bethany and Mount Union Sept. 28 and 29, respectively.

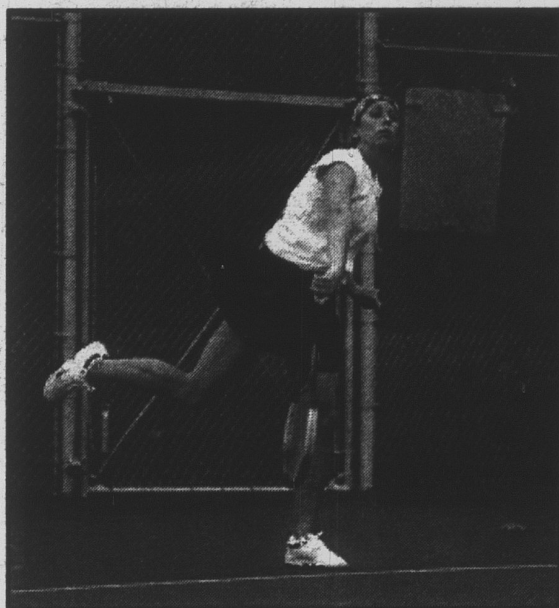


Photo by Courtney Behm  
The women's tennis team continues to thrive with wins over Thiel and Waynesburg.

## Cross country teams take the gold at St. Vincent

By Paula Devido  
STAFF WRITER

The men's and women's cross-country teams cleaned up at the St. Vincent Invitational Sept. 23, with both teams taking first place. The women finished just ahead of their host with 34 points, St. Vincent earned 35 and Bethany came in third with 91 points.

Head coach Gary Lilly felt the entire team put forth an outstanding effort. He emphasized his delight over senior captain Jen Bennett's comeback to clinch the win for the overall race. Bennett finished the race in 21 minutes. Six other Titan runners placed within the top 20. Junior Desiree Henry finished in second place, sophomore Nicole Beaver took ninth and sophomore Lydia Humenicky came in tenth. Freshmen Sarah Jalongo and Amanda Love came in fifteenth and eighteenth, respectively, while sophomore Kelly Schmidt finished nineteenth.

The men's cross-country team took their first place laurels with 37 points, St. Vincent took second with 49 and California University

came in third with 49 points.

Head coach Ron Galbreath felt his team "ran well enough to win" despite the fact that it was a hot day.

Junior Jake Gleason came in first in 27:52. Five other Titans placed within the top 20. Freshman Tim Snyder came in fifth, sophomore Dan Beckwith took ninth, freshman Sean Gallagher came in eleventh, sophomore Bryan Mackrell came in fourteenth, and junior Travis Gatesman took fifteenth.

The men's and women's teams travel to Waynesburg Sept. 30.



Photo by Courtney Behm  
St. Vincent Invitational was no match for both the men and women's cross country teams. Both teams took first place wins.



# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

**STAMPER &  
STALEY**

**BAIT**

## Beth Staley

It's fishing season in New York City, and with Alvin Sanders (Jamie Foxx) dangling on a line of electrical wiring, everyone hopes to reel in \$42 million. *Bait* opens as mastermind criminal, Bristol (Doug Hutchinson) steals this \$42 million in gold bricks from the Federal Reserve in Manhattan with the aid of John Jaster (Robert Pastorelli). Jaster is arrested for drunk driving after taking the treasure and leaving the crime scene without Bristol. Meanwhile, Sanders is arrested for stealing prawns from a seafood company. The two criminals share a cell, and Jaster, aware that he's about to die of a heart attack, gives Sanders the vital clues to where he has stashed the cash.

In search of the brilliant instigator of the gold heist and the gold, FBI investigator Edgar Clenteen (David Morse) prompts Sanders for Jaster's last words about his partner and the secret location of the money. However, Sanders does not know enough to lead the FBI anywhere; without any significant leads, Clenteen decides to use Sanders as human bait. After being knocked out in jail, the doctors install a special chip in Sanders's jaw; thus, his secret wiring allows the FBI to hear and see his every move. After letting him out of jail, they arrange Sanders's profile so that Bristol will seek him out for clues.

The ensuing events allow the FBI, Bristol, and the viewer to follow Sanders as he interacts with his thieving brother Stevie (Mike Epps), girlfriend Lisa (Kimberly Elise), infant son, and street thugs. The FBI continues to keep Sanders alive and out of jail so that Bristol will make contact with him. The screenplay, written by Jeff Nathanson and Andrew Scheinman, skips around Sander's life with action-packed car chases, explosions, arrests, fights, horse races, and bombs. Unfortunately, the choppy, confusing script muddles the effect of these special effect loaded scenes.

Behind the scenes, director Antoine Fuqua and producer Sean Ryerson fail to rescue the general disorganization of the film. Rather than make use of Jamie Foxx's unique talent for humor, Fuqua gives him a character whose half seriousness and half silliness barely add up to more than a few bad punch lines. However, Foxx successfully adds his own personal charm to the movie.

Complimenting his charm, David Morse plays FBI agent Edgar Clenteen with impressive force and conviction. Contrasting Morse's intensity, Doug Hutchinson assumes the role of Bristol with an ambiguous combination of madness and rage that never seems quite authentic.

Overall, the story line of *Bait* is completely unrealistic; the 119 minutes of this movie appear frustrating as useless scenes consume the plot. The characters are entertaining, but not enticing.

The movie is not entirely funny, not entirely dramatic, and not entirely worth your money. While the special effects somewhat redeem the adventure in *Bait*, you might want to rent this movie instead of seeing it at the theatre. If you're fishing to reel in a good movie, don't see *Bait*.

## Joseph Stamper

A break in and double homicide occurs at the Federal Gold Reserve in Manhattan. The two criminals get away with 42 million dollars in gold bricks. Meanwhile, somewhere in Brooklyn Alvin Sanders (Jamie Foxx) and his brother Steve (Michael Epps) are burglarizing a truckload of shrimp. Alvin Sanders is snagged for his caper. Unluckily, Sanders is housed with John Jaster (Robert Pastorelli), the weaker half of the pair who pulled the Federal Reserve heist. Jaster decides to cut out on his partner and keep all the gold for himself, but due to failing health he clues Sanders in on where the gold is hidden.



After Jaster dies in the interrogation room the Feds question Sanders on the locale of the gold bricks. Scared out of his wits, Sanders quickly gives up the info. But the Jaster was smarter than Sanders, the Feds, or his partner had anticipated. Only Jaster's wife, who has already been killed by Jaster's partner Bristol (Doug Hutchinson), could decipher the message.

The Feds leak the fact that Sanders knows the location of the gold and then release him hoping to lure Bristol out of hiding. Equipped with a secrete surveillance device Alvin Sanders becomes *Bait*.

**Stamper's Four-Corner Breakdown**

**Date Movie- 8**

There's nothing like sharing a good laugh with your significant other to open up an otherwise uneventful evening.

**Special FX- 8**

There are plenty of huge explosions and gunshots to keep all you hardcore action fans from flinging popcorn at the creepy teenagers in the front row.

**Star Power- 8**

It's the understated comedy stylings of Alvin Sanders (Jamie Foxx) that make this picture funny. With his second starring role in a big budget flick and a successful television show, his Foxx's stock is rising. Michael Epps of *Next Friday* plays Sanders' brother. As in the film, *Next Friday*, Epps is comical in the "punk" role.

Doug Hutchinson, as bad guy Bristol, also gives a good performance injecting a psycho element into the film. Unlike *The Watcher*, in this flick the bad guy is offing people for 42 million dollars, so there is method to Bristol's madness. David Morse, of *Long Kiss Goodnight* and *Negotiator*, plays as the Federal Agent/ tough guy. Morse may have come off a little to unfeeling in this comedy.

**Plot- 7**

While the plot does make the comedy fly it is little to far-fetched to be consider realistic.

**Overall- Worth Seeing**

At a time when most its box office competitors feature blood hungry psychopaths, *Bait* manages to be silly while remaining low key. There are no suburban teenyboppers in short skirts because this is an adult comedy and a welcome change of pace from the film industry's recent fetish with comedies about teenage sexuality. The fact that the film tends to drag toward the end is the only major drawback. If *Bait* had been cut 15 minutes shorter, it would have surely been a Must See.

## Radio listeners can win prizes during Fast Care Fantasy contest

Pittsburgh's best-known classic rock radio station 102.5 WDVE along with other Clear Channel radio stations is participating in a "Fast Care Fantasy" contest where listeners can win a variety of sports cars or major cash prizes.


Anyone who tunes into WDVE every Thursday from now until Oct. 12 has a chance to win a 2000 Dodge Viper, Corvette Convertible, BMW 540i, Porsche 911 Coupe Carrera or \$50,000 cash.

Here's how it works: listeners who want to qualify must be the 25th caller to 1-866-WIN-CARS (1-866-946-2277) or other announced phone number when prompted throughout the

day by the DVE disc jockeys. It is a toll free number and odds of winning will depend on the numbers of entrants.

Though this is not an exclusive contest for our area, it promises to be pretty interesting. Anyone who is familiar with WDVE's local antics and unique Pittsburgh style should have no problem listening each Thursday for a chance to win.

For complete contest rules visit the WDVE Studios or other participating Clear Channel radio stations: or, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Clear Channel Radio Contesting, 1906 Highland Avenue, Cincinnati, OH, 45219.



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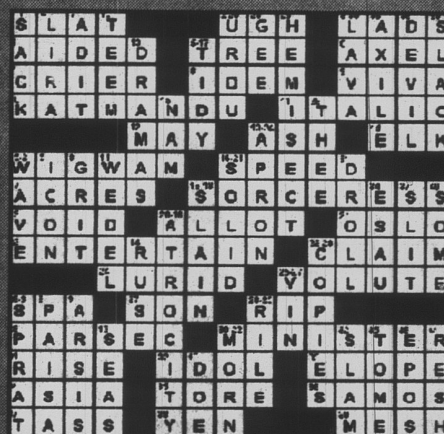
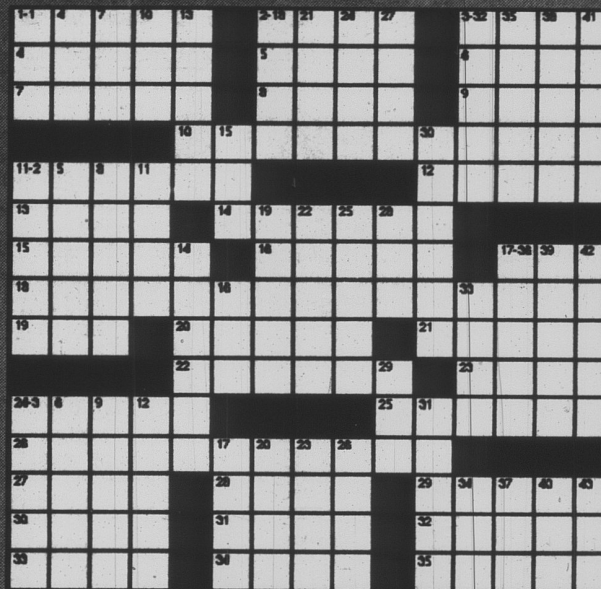
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- 3- Bristle
- 4- Trio
- 5- Positions
- 6- 6th month of the Jewish calendar
- 7- Republic in S. Arabia
- 8- Hearing organs
- 9- Enormous
- 10- State in the NE United States
- 11- Closely trimmed
- 12- Corpulent
- 13- Priests cloak
- 14- Plantation
- 15- Deliver an oration
- 16- Perfidious
- 17- Label
- 18- Reluctant
- 19- Cereal grass
- 20- Skin openings
- 21- Section of a wall
- 22- Acre
- 23- Persian fairy
- 24- Muse of lyric poetry
- 25- Salt of oleic acid
- 26- Ground cover plant
- 27- Musical instrument
- 28- Enuretic
- 29- Middle
- 30- Slender missile
- 31- The back of
- 32- Earlier
- 33- Sicilian volcano
- 34- Arouse
- 35- Slightly ill

## Down

- 1- Pigeon
- 2- Purg
- 3- Lyric poem

## 4- Definite article

- 5- Cornucopia
- 6- Capital of Morocco
- 7- Upper limb
- 8- With speed
- 9- Nut of an oak
- 10- Perceive with the eyes
- 11- The power to reject
- 12- 8th letter of the Greek alphabet
- 13- Therefore
- 14- Hire
- 15- Single unit
- 16- Extinct flightless bird
- 17- Agile
- 18- Small secluded valley
- 19- Scorn
- 20- On sheltered side
- 21- Something lent
- 22- Adjusted pitch
- 23- Close
- 24- Land measure
- 25- Aniseed
- 26- Having no light
- 27- Flat circular plate
- 28- Involuntary muscular contraction
- 29- Beetle
- 30- The piece
- 31- Lanterns
- 32- Indian form of address
- 33- Long narrow strip of fabric
- 34- Wrath
- 35- Develop
- 36- Fungal infection
- 37- Decease
- 38- Spanish river
- 39- Turn away
- 40- Turf
- 41- Mountain ridge
- 42- Contradict
- 43- Attempt



## ARIES

Events this week will enable you discover exciting career opportunities. Your innovative ideas will gain the support of those in positions of control and responsibility. Investigate new opportunities carefully, then take the risk.

## TAURUS

Others seem to want more of you than you are willing to give at the moment. Your friends could seem unpredictable. You might be tempted to let go of the relationship for all the wrong reasons.

## GEMINI

Snooping and gossip can be deliciously seductive. You know the subjects of your investigation well enough to be reasonably sure of what they're thinking. If you can walk away from the situation instead of having to prove you are in the right, you'll pass a major initiation and gain a sense of freedom.

## CANCER

Take every advantage of your good luck and positive flow. Your financial position is very strong. You'll gain a new perspective as a result. Move ahead while your circumstances are still favorable.

## LEO

No one can accuse you of not doing your part. Although recently, your patience may have been tried by those who lack your understanding of human nature. If you focus yourself, you'll pass a test of your skills with flying colors.

## VIRGO

Your sensitivity towards the trends of the times may lead to expansion of projects far away. Even the best-laid plans can go awry and you could feel that your equilibrium being disturbed unless you find alternatives.

## LIBRA

If you've been less than completely successful in developing new tactics for saving for your future, this week could change all that. Stay away from those who would frustrate you and cause you to lose your temper.

## SCORPIO

Don't let stubbornness or misunderstandings doom you to loneliness. Respect a difference of opinion and work around it. You might be tempted to cut corners just because you're overly diplomatic and don't want to seem blunt.

## SAGITTARIUS

You may be very vulnerable and sensitive, especially when it comes to your own creativity and your need for self-expression. Don't allow anyone tell you what you can and cannot do. If you are upset with a partner or your mate, that could be reason enough to feel unappreciated.

## CAPRICORN

Don't waste your energy struggling against the forces that held you back. Fragile feelings will soon mend if you maintain a healthy emotional environment.

## AQUARIUS

Avoid running away from a difficult situation. Others may tend to think out loud and cause you to lose your temper. You should be able to enjoy some relaxing later in the week.

## PISCES

Your magnetism and charm will keep the people who are important to you at your side. Your intuitive insights and healing energies can be used positively to help others.

## Weird News

## How much do you want that truck?

LONGVIEW, Texas - What would you do to win a pickup truck and boat? Try standing next to the truck with at least one hand flat on any part of its body - no leaning allowed - for several days. That's the object of the annual "Hands on a Hardbody" contest, where about two dozen people set out to outlast all the others. Houston resident Warren Hearne - who calls himself "The Shark" - beat out two final competitors Sunday with a record-breaking 126 hours and 46 minutes of excruciating pain and endurance.

## Hotel gets its suite revenge

OSLO, Norway - When two pranksters returned to the northern town of Bodoe, a local hotel got what might be called suite revenge. Last year, Espen Thoresen and Kristoffer Schau disassembled everything in their room at the Central Hotel, down to the last screw, as a stunt for their television program. Then they broadcast the whole process, which left the room littered with pieces of furniture. So when duo returned to Bodoe, the Grand Hotel knew exactly how they liked their rooms, and obliged, Norwegian newspapers reported. The hotel staff took apart every piece of furniture, and took down every lamp and picture in their room before the two checked in. "They took it pretty well. In fact, they thought it was very funny," hotel manager Unni Olsen said.

## Good grief, Snoopy!

ST. PAUL, Minn. - Vandals cut the head off a Snoopy statue last month, and local businesspeople are asking for its return. They say the statue, called "Stargazing," cannot be repaired without the head in time for an Oct. 1

auction. It's part of the summer-long "Peanuts on Parade" tribute to the late Charles Schulz that put 101 5-foot-high, polyurethane Snoopy statues in various locations in St. Paul, the city where the cartoonist grew up. The North End Business Association is offering a reward of up to \$500 for information that leads to the arrest or conviction of the vandals.

## Crawdads for dinner

MESA, Ariz. - Crawdads have outstayed their welcome in the state's lakes and streams. So the Arizona Game and Fish Department wants people to eat them, even offering instructions for how to catch, boil and pinch the mud bugs. "They've had an easy time for a lot of years," said Rory Aikens, Arizona Game and Fish spokesman. "We've had a quite a push trying to let the public know about the, uh, how do you put it, the culinary potential of crayfish and the art of catching them." Arizona is the only mainland state with no native species of crawdad, a type of crustacean that looks like a minilobster and also is called crayfish or crawfish. Decades ago, state officials intentionally put crayfish in Arizona waters as food for sport fish in lakes. Since then, their numbers have exploded.

## Bambi goes ballistic

MAPLETON, Kan. - A 75-year-old woman was killed by a deer she raised from infancy. Margaret Hershberger was gored and cut by her 200-pound, six-point buck, Mojo, at her home Tuesday. Her husband, Richard, found her body and locked the whitetail deer in a nearby pen before calling Bourbon County Sheriff Harold Coleman. "People have to understand that deer are wild animals," Coleman said, who killed the 8-year-old deer. "They get freaky. This is a horrible example of what can happen when you try to

tame wild animals."

## Pooh has a surprise for you

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. - Good detective work is knowing when things seem wrong, knowing the right questions - and knowing the normal weight of a Winnie the Pooh stuffed bear. Two women were detained on an Amtrak train last year when federal agents grew suspicious that the Pooh bear the pair were carrying was a whopping 7.4 pounds, instead of the regular 2.5 pounds. Hidden inside the bear and a gift-wrapped box was \$68,000 in cash. The federal government is now trying to keep the cash, seized in October. The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration alleges the money was for drugs. The agents kept the bear and box, gave the women a receipt and let them continue their trip. No criminal charges have been filed in New Mexico against the women.

## When IQ doesn't cut it

NEW LONDON, Conn. - A man whose bid to become a police officer was rejected after he scored too high on an intelligence test has lost an appeal in his federal lawsuit against the city. The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York upheld a lower court's decision that the city did not discriminate against Robert Jordan because the same standards were applied to everyone who took the test. Jordan, a 49-year-old college graduate, took the exam in 1996 and scored 33 points, the equivalent of an IQ of 125. But New London police interviewed only candidates who scored 20 to 27, on the theory that those who scored too high could get bored with police work and leave soon after undergoing costly training. The average score nationally for police officers is 21 to 22, the equivalent of an IQ of 104, or just a little above average.



# OPINION

## Rant and Rave

"I'm upset there is no longer Question of the Week in the Holcad."

"We're displeased we don't get cookies with the hoagie meal at lunchtime."

"The orange stuff on the grass turns your shoes orange."

"There was a fire alarm in Eich., but we didn't hear it. We could have burned."

"The cross country team has the hottest bunch of guys on campus."

"The lady who makes the subs at lunch does not take her gloves off when she coughs, sneezes, or eats her own food. During her shift she does not change her gloves."

"I just went through the new building of TCF. I think they are doing a tremendous job."

"I'm tired of everyone complaining about the construction of TCF. They build during the school year because sometimes things take longer than 3 months. As for visiting students being swayed by this distraction, I feel that the fact the school is making improvement to our campus should impress them. It's not like all our buildings are decrepit or anything. PS- I'm a student, not a brown nosing staff member."

Rants and Raves may be phoned in to the Holcad at EXT 7224 or sent via email at holcad@westminster.edu

## OUR VIEW: Constructive Criticism

The Holcad recently has received calls complaining about how stories are written and angles that stories have been taken from. We have also gotten calls ranging from requests not to be interviewed again to why weren't they interviewed. The demanding comments would be understandable if journalism students were professionals, but they are students as is the entire staff.

However, the most outrageous comment heard was directly from a professor's mouth saying, "It is a professor's goal not to be quoted in the Holcad." (Congratulations to that professor because s/he just defeated their own request.) Constructive criticism is one thing, but to come out and tell your students something of that sort is outrageous.

Give these students some credit, they are one of the only groups who have their class work distributed to the entire campus.

The Holcad is supposed to be a lab experience. Understand that Westminster does not have a Journalism major, nor are any of us claiming to be professional journalists. Many of us are Public Relations, Communications or English majors that simply enjoy working on the Holcad and are trying to learn journalistic style. This also goes for the students who write for the paper.

It doesn't just stop with the Holcad or with this specific class. Ask yourself this, if you as a professor had your students doing a term paper that required interviewing staff members and fifty percent of your students came to you saying that they were having extreme difficulty getting interviews and even more complained of professors making negative comments about their paper, you and your students would be frustrated. If you think this doesn't happen in other classes, ask around, you'd be surprised.

It's disappointing, from a student's perspective, to hear educated

professionals attacking, not commenting on, work of a learning student. When professors, especially, talk down any work done by a student, the students become frustrated and some give up on themselves.

If the attacking would instead turn to encouragement and a little patience, you would see the improvements in the students' as well as improvements in their work on the whole. However, if the comments keep up, professors of all people will be guilty of being detrimental to students' learning.

The more difficult professors, staff and administration make the process of learning, whether it be by avoiding interviews or becoming "unavailable" to students, the less the student will get out of the class and their college experience.

Yes, some professors are very cooperative and understanding and, yes, it's sad that this issue even needs to be brought up, but it is occurring on a more frequent basis. Some professors are completely inaccessible to students and some seem to just enjoy giving students a difficult time.

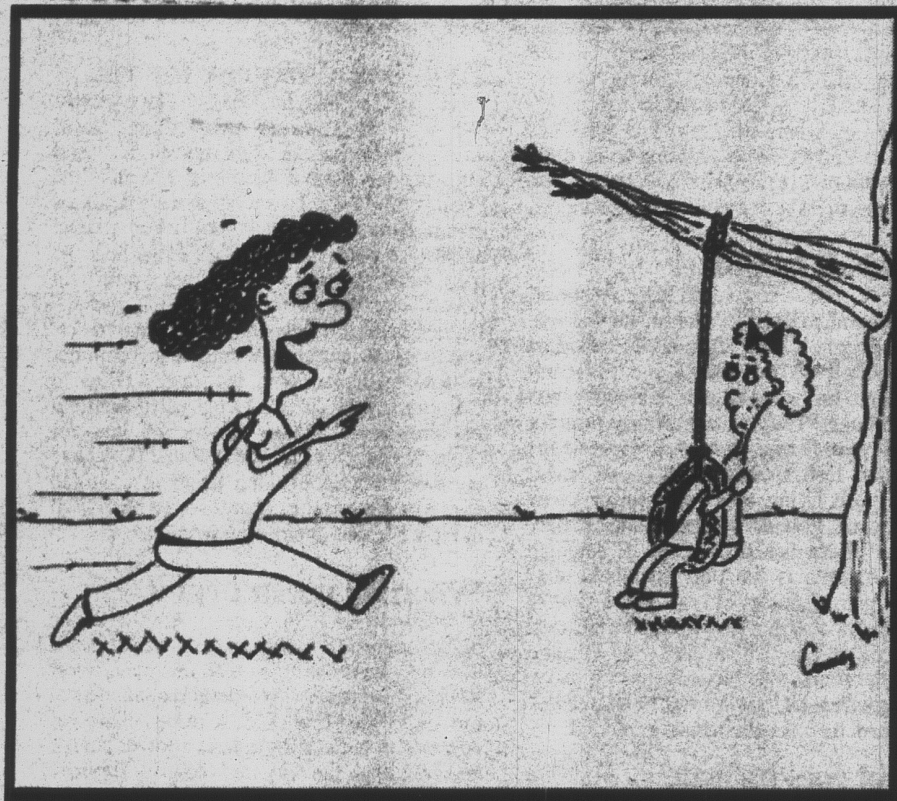
In the Holcad's case, no, we probably will not produce award-winning journalists,

but then again you never know. Just like you never know what your students have in their future. But instead of hindering the learning process, try encouraging it.

Is constructive criticism a necessity? Most definitely. However, before you pass judgment on any student, in any class, take into consideration that maybe they haven't had as much experience as others and are learning, which is what they are here to do. Instead of criticizing a student or their work try teaching, guiding and mentoring. It's going to do a lot more for the students now and down the road if you do.

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## — Editorial Cartoon —



"Get off the swing! It's a Firestone!"

## Letter Policy

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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

In recent years, I have become increasingly concerned about student parking problems on campus. The article in the September 15 issue of the Holcad has stirred new concerns and increased my sympathy for students deprived of campus parking spaces. Please allow me to offer a modest proposal I'm sure will please everyone:

\* Cut down all trees on the quads from Old Main to Old 77, from the central flagpole to Orr, from Old Main to Shaw and pave the surfaces with green asphalt lined for hundreds of parking spaces. We shouldn't let trees hog valuable parking places. Green asphalt will be as esthetically pleasing as grass and slim black light poles rival trees for grace and usefulness.

\* Install Astro-turf in Burry Stadium. On weekdays, the stadium can serve as the faculty/staff/administration parking lot. After all, the unused field is a terrible waste of valuable space. A shuttle running every fifteen minutes can transport less energetic older adults to their buildings.

\* Convert Hoyt Science Center into a three story parking garage, leaving a few spaces on each level for buses outfitted as classrooms and laboratories. Isn't it fortunate that recent structural problems necessitate major construction? While excavating to replace fill beneath part of the building, contractors can gut the entire building for conversion into a garage. Serendipity!

\* Require that faculty members in Hoyt Parking Garage use their cars as offices, with parking rights limited to published office hours. Don't faculty carry most of their papers and supplies in their cars anyway? After office hours, they will move their cars to Burry Parking Field.

\* Instruct the architect working on plans for Old 77 and Old Main to create alternative plans for converting these buildings to parking garages as well. The president and deans will move into luxury buses on the perimeter of the campus. The printing service will drive around campus in a Winnebago dropping off jobs as soon as they are finished. Classrooms and offices in Old Main Parking Garage and Old 77 Parking Garage can be handled the same as in Hoyt Parking Garage.

You may ask if my proposal isn't radical. I answer, "Student parking requires a radical solution." How can we ask students who pay such high tuition to walk from Shaw, Eichenauer, and Brown to Old Main, Freeman, Patterson and Hoyt? Should we force them to park at great distances from their residence halls and classroom buildings? Aren't we obligated to provide abundant and convenient parking? Besides our imaginative and humane action will make us a showcase 21st century college. We'll speed to the top national liberal arts colleges in U.S. News & World Report.

My proposal has economic benefits. We will need fewer lawn mowers and less leaf removing equipment, at a savings of hundreds of thousands every year. We will need fewer maintenance personnel. More savings! We will save millions on office furnishings and maintenance costs. This money will be spent maintaining our many green parking lots and beautifying parking garages. As it should be.

I've been uncomfortable for years seeing students punish their legs walking across our spacious campus. Many, I'm certain, will need knee and hip replacements by the time they're thirty-five. I've felt twinges of guilt watching students speeding all the way from the Alpha Sig house, Fergusson, and Jeffers to classes in Old Main because they must waste precious minutes searching for scarce parking.

The sooner President Williamson takes action to implement my proposal, the sooner we will meet our obligation to our students' welfare. I urge him to act swiftly.

Frederick D. Horn  
Soon-to-be Professor Emeritus  
Department of English  
West End (soon-to-be parking lot)

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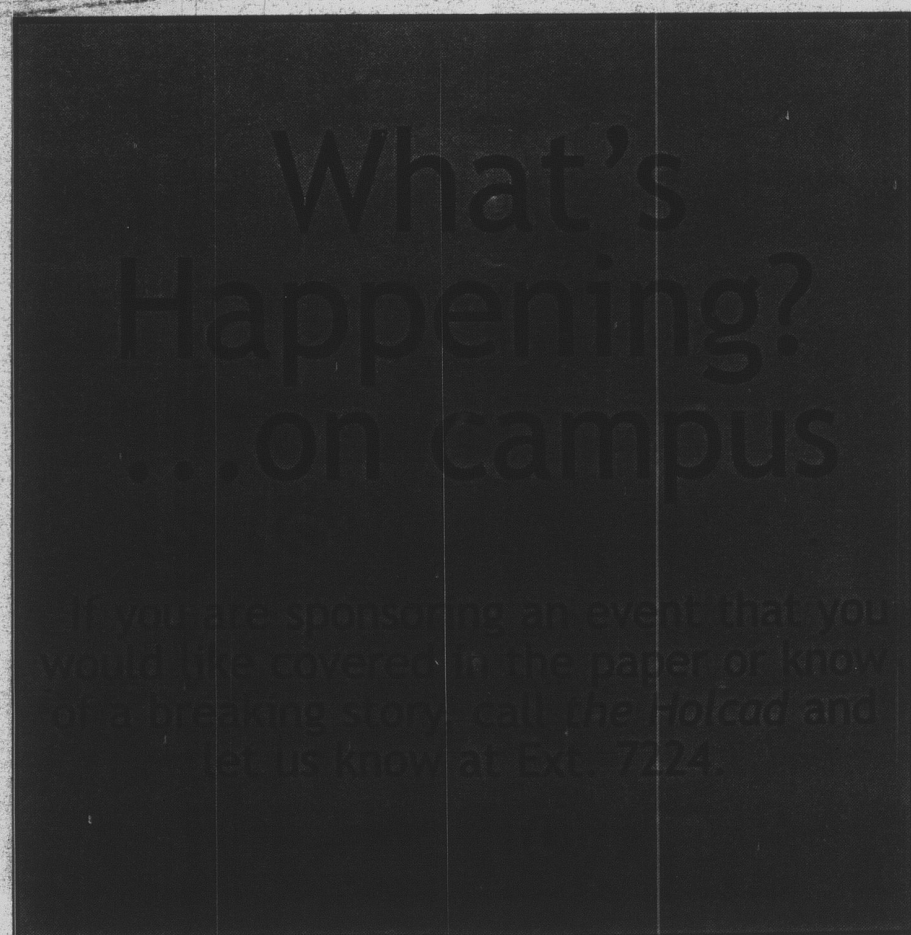
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# Calendar of Events

## FRIDAY 29

Golf @ Malone (OH) Invitational  
 11:40 a.m. Chapel  
 3:30 p.m. Women's Tennis vs. Mount Union (H)  
 4:30 p.m. Women's Soccer @ W & J  
 8:00 p.m. CPC Presents: Tom DeLuca (Hypnotist) - Orr Auditorium  
 10:00 p.m. - 2:00 am JT's Café - Down Under  
 Chapel Office Fall Retreat in Seneca Rocks, WV

## SATURDAY 30

Chapel Office Fall Retreat in Seneca Rocks, WV  
 Golf @ Malone (OH) Invitational  
 9:00 a.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Work Day - Sig Ep House  
 9:00 a.m. Volleyball: Westminster Invitational (H)  
 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 pm Continuing Education Writers' Workshop: Freelance Writing (Breaking Into Print) — HSC 152  
 10:30 a.m. Cross Country @ Waynesburg  
 1:00 p.m. Women's Soccer @ Edinboro  
 1:00 p.m. Men's Soccer @ W & J  
 1:30 p.m. Football @ W & J  
 7:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel  
 9:00 p.m. All Student Gala Ball - Down Under

## SUNDAY 1

Chapel Office Fall Retreat in Seneca Rocks, WV  
 3:00 p.m. Student Recital: Heather Bullers — Chapel  
 6:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Meeting - Sig Ep House  
 6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting - Theta Chi House  
 6:15 p.m. IFC Meeting — Location TBA  
 7:00 p.m. Vespers — Chapel  
 8:00 p.m. Phi Mu Carnation Sister Revelation — PH 112/113  
 8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230  
 9:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

## MONDAY 2

LLP Block I Classes End This Week  
 Phi Mu Unity Week  
 Deadline for Sigma Phi Epsilon Balanced Man Scholarship Applications  
 11:40 a.m. Chapel  
 4:30 p.m. Women's Soccer @ Waynesburg  
 5:30 p.m. Panhel Meeting - TUB A/B  
 6:00 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Microsoft Windows, Beginning Level — PH 214  
 6:00 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Scrapbooking — 310 Old Main  
 6:00 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112/113

6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
 6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - TUB A/B  
 6:30 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall  
 6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116  
 7:00 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311/312

## TUESDAY 3

Panhellenic Council Homecoming Elections - TUB Grille  
 5:00 p.m. SAA Meeting - TUB A/B  
 5:45 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Exploring the Internet — PH 214  
 6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting — PH 231  
 6:00 p.m. Mortar Board Meeting — HSC 166  
 6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
 7:00 p.m. Volleyball @ W & J

## WEDNESDAY 4

Panhellenic Council Homecoming Elections - TUB Grille  
 11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum: Dwight Castro, "Latinitas Viva: New Life for a 'Dead' Language" - PH 131  
 3:00 p.m. Women's Tennis vs. Slippery Rock (H)  
 6:30 p.m. Career Center Resume & Cover Letter Workshop - TUB A/B  
 6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
 7:00 p.m. Henderson Lecture - Beeghly Theater  
 7:00 p.m. Men's Soccer @ Geneva  
 7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
 8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - Location TBA  
 8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
 9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - Down Under

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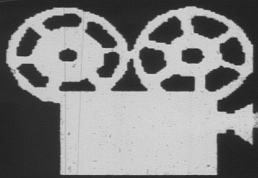
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 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 pm Honors Chorus Auditions - Orr Auditorium  
 2:00 p.m. Curriculum Development Committee Meeting — TUB A/B  
 3:00 p.m. Women's Tennis @ Hiram  
 4:30 p.m. Student Publications Board Meeting — Old Main 308  
 5:30 p.m. Phi Sigma Tau Meeting — PH 116  
 6:00 p.m. Residence Advisor Continuous Training Meeting - Hillside Lobby  
 6:30 p.m. Career Center Interviewing/Job Search Workshop - TUB A/B  
 6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
 7:00 p.m. Psychology Alumni Colloquium: Dr. Daniel Miller, Assoc. Professor at Carthage College. Topic: A Model System for Studying the Neural Basis of Learning & Memory — Phillips Lecture Hall  
 7:00 p.m. Black Student Union Meeting — PH 231  
 7:15 p.m. Volleyball vs. Bethany (H)  
 8:00 p.m. Bleasby Colloquium - Chapel

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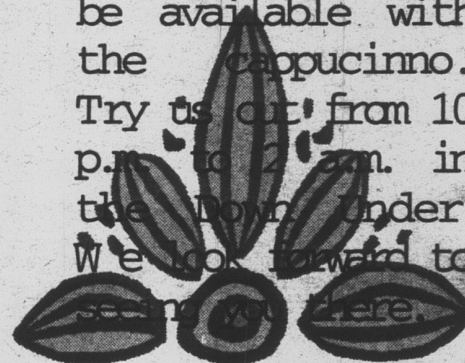
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## Retreat focuses on building trust



Contributed by Michelle Loyash  
It takes an entire team of students to rappell another down a cliff. Many students came away with a new sense of trust in others.

By Daesha Falcione  
STAFF WRITER

Reaching goals, overcoming fears, working as a team and trusting in God and other people was what students learned on the Fall Retreat.

Last weekend, Titan Traverse and several students hiked a mile and a half up a mountain to answer the question "What Are You Standing On?" This weekend consisted of backpacking/hiking, caving, rock climbing and rappelling down up to 130-foot cliffs in the Monongahela National Forest in West Virginia.

"We worked towards getting things done the right way, quick and as a team," John DeRiggi, a student facilitator on the retreat, said.

DeRiggi has been on the trip for the past two years, this however was his first as a facilitator.

One of his responsibilities was to discuss the theme of the retreat. This was accomplished by relating their discussions to the

activities they took part in.

"When they look for support in all aspects of their lives, and the experience on the retreat, they will hopefully use as guidance," DeRiggi said. "We want each group to benefit from their experiences."

Robin Jones, a junior, participated in both rappelling and rock climbing. She rappelled down the Table Rock, which was 80 feet high.

"My mind was completely clear, I centered myself and trusted the equipment," Jones said. "I went on blind faith."

Jones felt that the climb would be easier, but when she reached a part of the mountain called the chimney, she began to struggle. She was trapped in this three-foot long area for half an hour, scared she would not make it to the top.

"God answered my prayers and eased my tensions at a place of helplessness," Jones said. "I witnessed some great things, and did things that I thought weren't possible."

Rebecca Higgins, a sophomore, climbed a mountain named North Forks. She said it was

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## Show for apathetics debuts on 89FM

By Laura Mours  
STAFF WRITER

Christopher Nave, a sophomore political science major, and Matthew Grubbs, a senior business administration major have begun the fight against a growing feeling on campus: apathy. "Apathetics Anonymous" is a new call-in radio show on 89 FM that encourages students to call in and complain about anything and everything that bothers them about Westminster. The show airs Thursday evenings from 9 until 12.

Nave and Grubbs feel that the campus community has a problem voicing its opinion. "People don't feel like this is their college.

They feel like this is just where they go to school," Nave said.

Apathetics Anonymous gives students the chance to call in and let their voices be heard, something Nave said will give them the feeling that this campus belongs to the students.

Nave feels that if voices are heard and complaints are legitimate, something can be done to correct whatever is wrong. As a political science major, Nave knows the importance of connections. He is on SGA and says he knows a lot of people. "If there is something I feel is a good complaint, I will take it to whoever is the authority concerning the issue."

Nave is the host of the show. While he's

not a broadcast major, he has done work in the radio station. When he found out that there was an opening on Thursday evenings, he pleaded with Dr. David Barner, chair of the art/communications/theatre department to let him try out his talk show idea.

Apathetics Anonymous is the only talk show on the fall radio line-up. It is a new idea for the campus radio station and is slowly catching on. The first show they received only four

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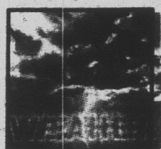
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Chris Nave took initiative to bring together all the apathetics on campus through his radio show.

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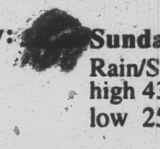
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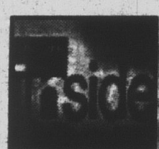
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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Pep rally marks start of Homecoming weekend

### Events begin today and end on with dancing in the Down Under on Saturday

Mindy Falk  
STAFF WRITER

The first homecoming of the millennium will take place this weekend, providing many campus activities including the crowning of this year's King and Queen.

The theme chosen for this year's homecoming is "Saturday at the Movies." The sororities and fraternities will bring the theme to life with floats during the parade tomorrow morning.

The themes for the floats will be "Science Fiction" for Alpha Gamma Delta, "Horror" for Kappa Delta, "College" for Phi Kappa Tau, "Westerns" for Phi Mu, "Animated" for Sigma Kappa, "Action" for Sigma Nu, "Mafia" for Sigma Phi Epsilon, "Musicals" for Theta Chi, and "Comedy" for Zeta Tau Alpha. There will be cash prizes awarded for the winners that will be chosen by members of the class of 1950.

This year's candidates for queen are Alpha Gamma Delta's Lindsey Yankle, Kappa Delta's Andrea Majot, the Independent's

Pamela McCalmont, Phi Mu's Corrine Gaglia, Sigma Kappa's Kylene Adams and Zeta Tau Alpha's Jaime Freund.

This year's king candidates are Alpha Sigma Phi's Danny DiDesiderio, the Independent's Greg Robinson, Phi Kappa Tau's Kevin Webb, Sigma Nu's Ryan Oman, Sigma Phi Epsilon's Beau McElfresh and Theta Chi's Jason Gabany.

Since the first homecoming king was crowned in 1998, the Eps have managed to hold the crown. When asked how he felt about being the Eps candidate this year, junior Beau McElfresh said, "It is pressure because the past two years the Eps have won. It is also an honor to be picked to represent the Eps because there were so many good candidates for the position."

The candidates will be presented at the pep rally today at 5 p.m. in the quad. They will also ride in the homecoming parade and the winners will be crowned at the football game. Last year's king and queen, Jeff Kovacs and Brianne Caldwell, will be crowning this year's winners.

Junior Sigma Kappa candidate, Kylene Adams said that she feels supported.

"My sisters, friends and the faculty have come together with chalking, congratulations, and smiles. I just can't help but to be excited and to feel supported."

There is a long process of selection for these candidates. Last spring each Greek and independent group chose three people to represent their organization. Afterwards, each representative was then asked to fill out a personal application. Normally, the faculty will interview each applicant, but since there was a low faculty response, Resident Directors selected the candidates.

The RD's were given the applications, with the names whited out, and asked to make their selection based on the candidates' involvement in activities and their future plans. Students can make their selections on Friday, Oct. 6 in the TUB by secret ballot from 9-2pm, or they can respond by email to Student Affairs by 2 p.m. on Friday.

Vice President of Panhellenic Council Courtney Hamilton said, "I don't know all of

the candidates, but for those that I do know that are on it I think that it is going to be a very good race. I am very pleased with the court as a whole."

Today's activities will begin with a 3 p.m. powder puff football game in the quad. Each undergraduate class has a team and will pair up to play against each other. Powder Puff participants are female.

The pep rally is scheduled to start at 5 p.m. on Friday. Games will be played with prizes awarded to the winners. A picnic in the Quad provided by Marriott Food Services will start at 5:15 p.m. Titan Cards are required to eat.

The parade will kick off the festivities on Saturday at 10 a.m. Pre-game activities start at 1 p.m. at Memorial Field, followed by the Titans versus Bethany football game at 1:30 p.m.

Saturday night there will be a dance at 9 p.m. in the Down Under. All five fraternities will be open from 10 p.m. until 2 a.m. on Saturday night.

## Jeans day brings awareness to sexual orientation

By Delores Natale  
STAFF WRITER

For the second year in a row you can stand up for your beliefs simply by bumming it in jeans.

"This event is about treating people with respect regardless of their race, age, gender, or sexual orientation," Allies President Senior Nate Sizemore said.

Those who agree with this philosophy are asked to express their support by wearing jeans the day of the event. Sizemore said the success of the second annual Jeans Day is not dependent upon actual participation.

"The goal is to raise awareness about the diversity of sexual orientation, so if this event causes people to question what they believe and assess some of their assumptions, we will reach 100% of our goal," Sizemore said.

The event, scheduled for Oct. 10, is not a declaration of sexual orientation, according to its organizers.

Biology professor Keen Compher is the faculty advisor for Allies.

"My role is to be there for support and to help provide connections and resources to the campus community and individuals," Compher said. "Jeans Day forces people to confront harmful prejudice that exists against sexual minorities and encourages them to support tolerance."

Increased efforts to educate the public

about the purpose of Jeans Day may be necessary based on the reaction of many students last year. "It became Khakis Day last year because people did not want to be connected with the event," Sophomore Joy Kelewa



said.

Sizemore and Compher agree there were misconceptions about the purpose of last year's Jeans Day. "It was new last year and many students were fearful that if they came out in support of non-discrimination, their own sexuality might be questioned," Compher said. "Some people felt there might be a gay agenda they were asked to support

and that was not the purpose of the event.

The college is addressing the issue of discrimination by recruiting a diversity coordinator. One of the duties of the coordinator will be "to build student, faculty and staff awareness of and respect for cultural and individual differences," according to a classified ad in the New Castle News.

"The college has a fundamental obligation to support the diversity of students and members of the campus," said Dean of Student Affairs Neal Edman. "We do not discriminate based on a variety of factors, including sexual orientation."

Allies, founded last year by alumnus, T.J. Greggs, is open to all members of the campus including faculty and staff. The twofold purpose of the organization, described on the college Web site, is "to promote awareness about sexual minorities and to provide open, supportive discussion of such issues."

Meetings are held every Tuesday at 8 p.m. either in the pink room located in the McGill basement or in the residence halls. Confidentiality is respected.

"Allies meetings are not only for sexual minorities and, probably, most who attend are not sexual minorities," Compher said. "We discuss current events, articles and movies, as well as problems people have on campus with homophobia."

For more information about Jeans Day or Allies, contact Sizemore at EXT 7593.

## Chapel Corner Fall Retreat 2000

By Scott Hoffman  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The Lord is good! Yet another fall retreat has been completed, and with a limited number of injuries to boot. The weather was perfect as usual and the views were spectacular. The annual fall retreat took place last weekend in wild, wonderful West Virginia under the leadership of Titan Traverse and the Spiritual growth team of the chapel staff. The five vans full of excited retreat participants and facilitators departed from Old 77 around 2:30 on Friday afternoon. The drive was a long, and after the last stop for dinner the three sub-groups parted ways. Two groups headed to North Fork Mountain, one group headed to Table Rock, and two groups headed to Otter Creek.

The weekend theme was "What are you standing on?" Each group took some quiet time during the weekend to reflect on this question. Saturday was the day of activity for most groups and on Sunday all three van-groups reconvened at Table Rock for a worship service with a beautiful view. At the service, stories of weekend adventures were shared along with many laughs.

The group took time to thank our Lord and Savior for a fun-filled and safe weekend and then headed home. The trip was a huge success and the countdown to next year's retreat has begun. Hope to see you there!

## Scrawl celebrates Friday the 13th with bonfire poetry readings

By Beth Staley  
STAFF WRITER

Friday the 13th is an unusual day on the calendar, so why not do something different? If you're looking for a thrill on this famous Friday, *Scrawl*, Westminster's literary magazine, will kick off the year with its first of

many planned events. Interested students should meet by the dock at 7:30 for a *Scrawl* bonfire in the woods. Bring a variety of original or favorite poems, short stories, artwork or music to share - or just come to enjoy good company in an atmosphere sweetened with marshmallows, smores, and other roasted treats.

If, for some silly, superstitious reason, you decide not to leave your room for fear of a Friday the 13th curse, don't worry. Many more *Scrawl* events are being planned. In the meantime, dig up your poems, short stories and artwork, and submit anything you can to Box 159. As for Friday the 13th, it's *Scrawl*, or scream!

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very challenging, but noted that the climb helped her to overcome her fear of trusting others to help her.

"I gained a better understanding of myself and how I can help people understand themselves," Higgins said.

All involved felt their experiences were both challenging and enlightening, and would definitely go again and recommend the trip to others.



## A three-part series on the ghost stories that haunt Westminster

### Is our very own McGill Memorial Library full of unsettled spirits and spooks?

By Jon McKay  
STAFF WRITER

Let's say you are studying in McGill. It's 10 p.m. Although you are immersed in what you are reading, you start hearing strange noises behind you. You ignore it and go back to reading. Then you could swear someone just tapped you on the shoulder. You get up to investigate. You walk past that freaky glass-encased samurai on the second floor, and swear you can see a face in there, its eyes following you. When you find nothing, you return to your table only to find your pencil broken and your book closed. Ghosts? Maybe. Maybe not.

So maybe it's not the library scene from *Ghostbusters*, but there are numerous rumors about the possibility of spirits haunting McGill. Most of the rumors are student-generated, ranging from an Amish ghost that protects the top floor to a young boy that roams the bottom floor. Although almost every student has heard and maybe even spread a McGill rumor, very few, if any, have actually experienced paranormal activity in the build-

ing.

"I've heard rumors since I was a freshman," Senior Cynthia Kral said. "But I've never had any kind of experience here."

Senior Ben Tate visits the library three or four times a week and has never seen anything out of the ordinary. "I hear some noises at night, but it's an old building. I've never seen anything really substantial," he said.

Many students report strange noises late at night, which can be attributed to temperature. McGill is connected to the campus heating system, and since the library closes at 11 p.m., the heating shuts off at 10:30. As the air inside cools, the building "settles," or contracts, resulting in interesting sounds that could easily be misconstrued by a studying student with a wandering imagination and a willingness to spread rumors.

Campus archivist H. Dewey DeWitt does not believe ghosts inhabit McGill. "Maybe in Thompson House, but I don't think the rumors about McGill are true," he said. A campus fixture for 45 years - the last seven in McGill - DeWitt can be considered an expert

on the subject.

Freshman Erin Chittock has never experienced ghosts in McGill, but if she has her way, she will soon. "I've heard that people have heard a girl crying on the top floor. So I went up to see if I could, but there was nothing," she said.

Senior Mary Ellen Busey is not ruling out the possibility of supernatural activity in McGill.

"I don't stay here after it gets dark, it gets spooky. Libraries are too quiet. If I were a ghost, I'd live here."

While there is apparently a shortage of ghosts in McGill, there is certainly no shortage on rumors about them in buildings all over campus. Next week, we'll see what we can find in Thompson House.

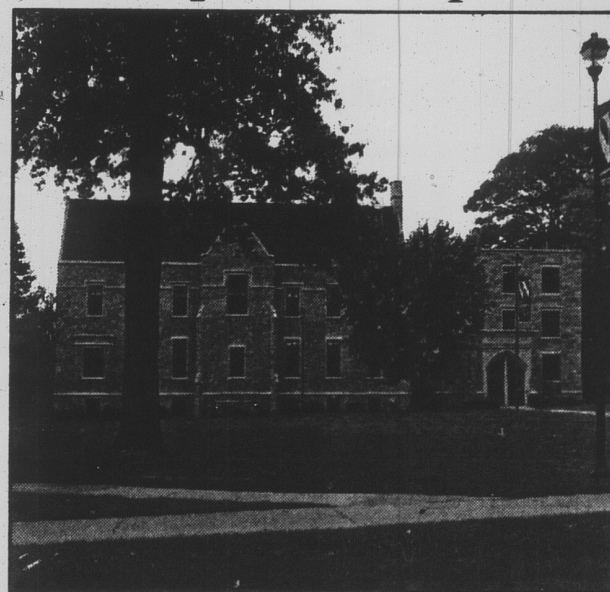


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Rumors are all that has been found of the ghosts that haunt McGill.

## Alumna participates in Domestic Violence Awareness Month

JoAnn Lewis  
STAFF WRITER

In 1996, President Clinton passed a nationwide declaration stating that October would be Domestic Violence Awareness Month. It was a call to raise awareness about the existence of domestic violence and to let those suffering from it know there are people who can help.

In lieu of the Awareness Month, the Women's Shelter/Rape Crisis Center of Lawrence County holds an annual Domestic Violence Awareness Rally. This year's rally will be at the First Christian Church, New Castle on Oct. 25 at 5:30 p.m. A candlelight vigil will begin at 6:30 p.m., allowing people to light a candle in memory of someone who has died as a result of domestic violence.

Jenny Bryan, a May graduate of Westminster, works at the shelter as a prevention education specialist. Bryan has the opportunity to speak to elementary-school children

about touching safety, teaching children that no one should be allowed to touch their private body parts.

Bryan met shelter representatives at last spring's college fair.

"I picked several businesses at the fair that I thought would interest me. After talking with the people from the shelter I knew right away that I wanted to work there," Bryan said.

After serving her internship at the center, she was hired part-time and in August of this year, she began working full time.

Bryan had to complete 58 hours of sexual domestic violence training before working with any abuse victims. The training taught about values, stereotyping, dynamics of sexual assault and how to respond in a crisis situation.

"I am passionate about this area (domestic violence). I didn't realize how passionate until I took the sexual domestic violence training," Bryan said.

The Women's Shelter was formed in 1981

after a task group of community members discovered a great need for a service for people suffering from domestic violence.

State and federal grants account for 60-65 percent of funding while fundraising and donations from the community account for the balance.

Bryan said that the local residents are very supportive of the shelter. There is always someone dropping off something. Clothing, toys, shoes, sheets and blankets are a few of the items donated.

Guests of the shelter are encouraged to take whatever donations they may need. There is a special closet that stores "interview clothes" for women to borrow for job interviews.

The staff at the shelter offers help in various manners. They offer emotional support for women that request a protection from abuse (PFA) order. Often times they accompany victims to court hearings.

Staff members counsel mothers that are in

jail, offering lessons on how to be a better parent. Individual and group counseling is available. Help to find a job is also offered.

The shelter has a staff of 32. It can house up to 30 women with their children. Children are permitted visitation with their father, off site. The maximum time a family is allowed to stay is one month.

While staying at the shelter, women and children are required to attend at least one group session. Every effort is made to make the temporary guests comfortable. The shelter offers a peaceful, family setting that celebrates holidays.

If you are a victim of domestic violence looking for help, call the hotline (724) 652-9036. The hotline is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

If you are in an abusive relationship, someone will talk with you about safety planning, your options and how to get away from a dangerous situation. All calls are kept confidential.

## Biology mascot, Nighta the iguana, relocates to a new home

By Brian Moorhead  
STAFF WRITER



Photo by Aly Karg

Tri-Beta sponsored Nighta's move into her new cage.

Many students feel the confines of their dormitory rooms, especially those unlucky students living in Russell and Jeffers. Well, they are not the only ones to experience extremes of claustrophobia. A resident of the third floor of Hoyt Science Center sympathizes with these unfortunate souls.

Until this year, Nighta the iguana, who is the mascot of the Biology department, was confined to a small glass cage, with not much room for movement. Earlier this year, Nighta made the move to a new cage that was funded by Tri-Beta, the Biology Honor Society.

"Nighta seems a lot happier, and we are looking to fund more projects such as this to expand the display case and add more life forms," Tri-Beta President Jared Boustead said.

Taking care of Nighta is a full time job and nobody knows this bet-

ter than Amanda Pinkney. Amanda, a sophomore biology major, has been taking care of Nighta for the last year and has treated her as a pet of her own by feeding her, cleaning her cage and bathing her on a daily basis. Nighta is a vegetarian, and her diet consists of various items such as collard greens, kale, alfalfa, grapes, mangos and calcium supplements. Amanda is not a stranger to dealing with iguanas. She currently has three pet iguanas and on breaks Nighta accompanies her home.

When Amanda was asked about what students should learn about Nighta, she was concerned about the lack of knowledge dealing with iguanas. Iguanas have only recently been domesticated into pets. This makes their care more complex than your typical dog or cat because their health requirements are still being studied. Add to this the fact that they are cold-blooded and make their home in the tropical rainforest. Since our climate here is so different from their native environment, special considerations must be made. Amanda wants the chance to show people of all ages the work and benefits of having an iguana as a pet by taking Nighta to a nearby preschool to expose the children to the iguana.

"If you are interested in acquiring an iguana, you should research the species and make yourself aware of all the care and special treatment they require," Amanda said.

There are others who care for Nighta as much as Amanda. Dr. Clarence Harms, a professor of biology at the college, worked with a former graduate to obtain Nighta three years ago. When Nighta arrived, the college was informed that the iguana had received her name from the Tennessee Williams play, *Night of the Iguana*. "Nighta" is a play on those words. In addition, Nighta is more than just a mascot for the school.

"Nighta serves not only as a good exhibit for the students and faculty, but she's also very important in representing behavioral routines, evolutionary history, and she proves that a vegetarian diet does, in fact, work," Dr. Harms said.

For all those interested in seeing Nighta in her new habitat, just visit the third floor in Hoyt Science Center where Nighta currently resides, in her new spacious living accommodations. As for those students in Russell and Jeffers, try not to be too jealous.



# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Electrical violations blamed in Pitt students death last week

By Bill Schackner  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

Three days after a University of Pittsburgh senior died in an apartment house fire, city inspectors said they found ten electrical code violations in the building, including evidence that some work had not been professionally done.

An inspection also turned up deficiencies related to installation of furnaces inside the building at 409 N. Craig St. in Oakland, city officials said.

The results have been turned over to fire investigators, said Ron Graziano, chief of the city's bureau of building inspection. He doubted the furnace infractions had anything to do with the blaze and said it would be up to fire investigators to see if the electrical problems were a factor.

He characterized many of the violations as minor, the sort that would probably be found in many older homes around the city. Others were of more concern, he said.

"They could potentially have caused a hazard. Whether or not they were the cause of the fire we don't know," Graziano said yesterday.

"It's hard to police every single electrical job that is performed in the city. If somebody throws in two or three outlets in a floor, whether it's an electrician or a landlord, it's impossible for us to know," he said.

The fire that broke out around daybreak Friday trapped Joseph Marcinek, 21, of

Vanderbilt, Fayette County, in his bedroom on the building's third floor. Eight other occupants, most of them Pitt students, escaped unharmed.

Inspectors typically gain access to a building when an application is made to do electrical work, Graziano said. He did not know if a city permit had been sought to perform the work that inspectors found deficient.

The violations ranged from electrical wiring that was spliced without an appropriate electrical box to a sub panel that was not properly grounded and a circuit breaker not approved for use in a panel board, city officials said.

The three-story brick building had been converted into apartments. It is owned by National Builders, a West Homestead property management company, whose principals include Neal Scratow.

Fire investigators have said the blaze began in a second-floor sitting room, though its cause is still under investigation. Marcinek, an honors student who was expected to graduate in the spring, collapsed near a side window, overcome by smoke and carbon monoxide.

Fire officials have said smoke detectors were working on the first and second floors, but others in the building had either been disconnected or had no batteries. They could not say yesterday whether the alarms were working in the part of the building where Marcinek was found.

work, and use its report as a starting point for the county investigation.

### Alternative fuels deadline extended

The application deadline for state grants to increase the use of clean-burning alternative fuels is extended to Nov. 1, the Department of Environmental Protection said Monday. More than \$7 million is available for school districts, local governments, corporations, partnerships, nonprofit entities and state residents, DEP Secretary James M. Seif said. Grants can be used to convert an existing gasoline vehicle to operate on an alternative fuel; to pay for the difference between an alternative fuel vehicle and a conventional gasoline or diesel vehicle; to purchase and install a refueling or recharging facility; or to evaluate new alternative fuel technologies. Grants even can be used toward the purchase of new energy-efficient hybrid electric vehicles available from Honda and Toyota.

Grants awarded this year will cover up to 30 percent of the applicant's eligible costs. Alternative fuels include compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas, liquid propane gas, ethanol, methanol, hydrogen, hythane, electricity, coal-derived liquid fuels and fuels derived from biological materials.

### Pittsburgh looks to restore parks to attract young professionals

By Tom Barnes  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

After staring into computer screens at the office all day, many of the 20-somethings who work in high-tech fields don't want to go home and stare at the television.

They want to engage in active pursuits such as rock climbing, inline skating, bike riding or Ultimate Frisbee. Or maybe hike a trail or just sit in a park and relax.

To lure such young "knowledge workers" to the New Economy - and increase Pittsburgh's status as a high-tech haven - the city needs to restore and improve its parks, Carnegie Mellon University professor Richard Florida and the Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy say in a new report.

"Restoration of the parks must be made a key element in the region's efforts to attract talent and develop the economy," said Florida, an economic development professor at Carnegie Mellon's Heinz School of Public Policy and Management.

The city should focus on improving

Schenley Park, which provides the easiest access for students at Carnegie Mellon and the University of Pittsburgh, the report states.

"Parks are an important factor when young people who are forming the New Economy decide where they want to live," conservancy President Meg Cheever said. "Schenley Park is considered the most important park to young people, which makes sense since it is closest to the universities that are the hotbed of the New Economy."

Other cities that have had success in attracting high-tech workers in their 20s and 30s, such as New York City, Seattle, Boston, San Francisco and Austin, Texas, have been successful in reviving their park systems, the report says.

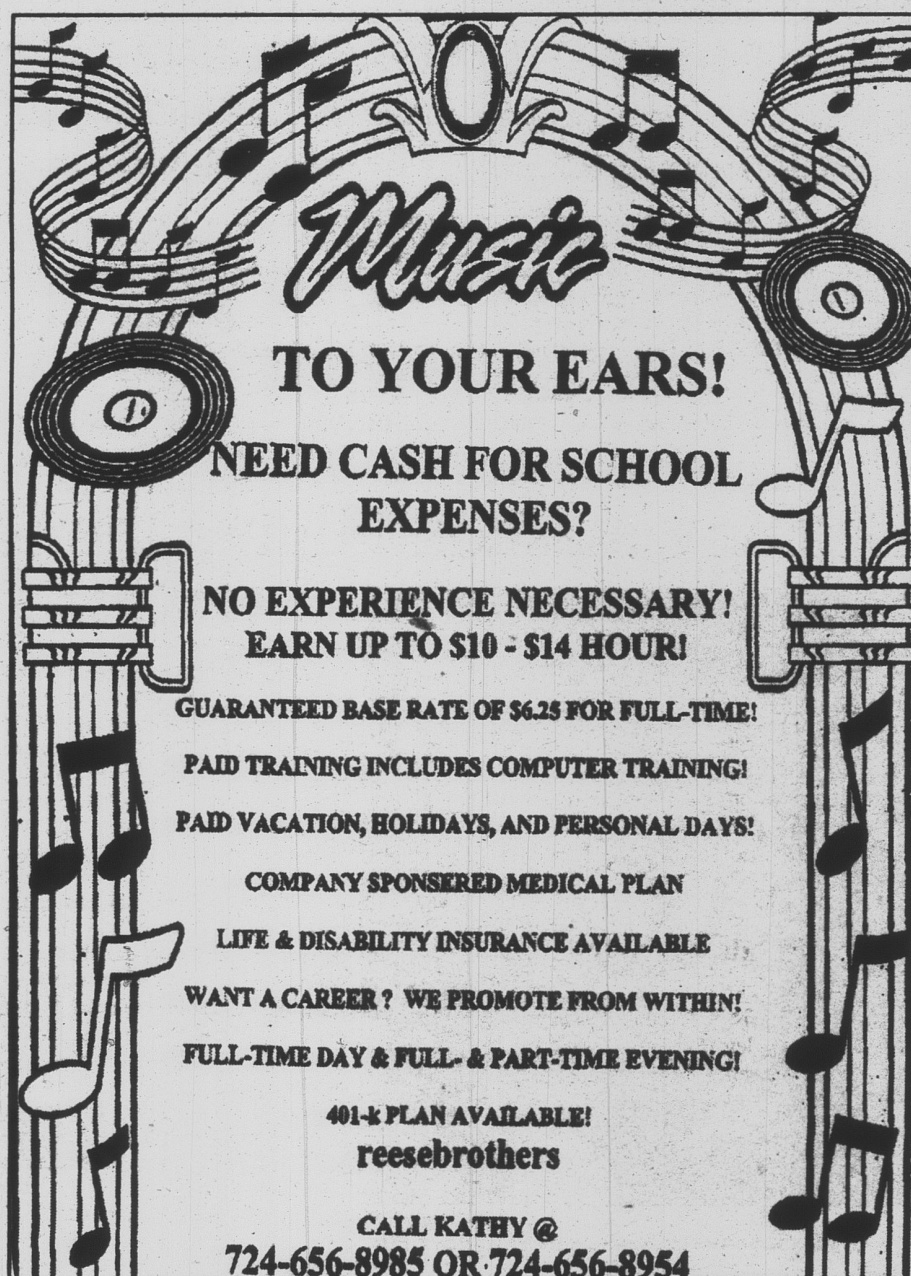
Mayor Tom Murphy and the city Parks and Recreation Department have known for the past 10 years that restoration is needed in all of the four large regional parks within the city - Highland and Frick in the East End and Riverview on the North Side, in addition to Schenley. Together they contain more than 1,700 acres of green space.

## —Regional Briefs—

### Prison board still at impasse on inquiry

Three months after a convicted drug dealer and a guard were arrested on drug charges, the Westmoreland County Prison Board still is unsure how to conduct an internal probe of the county prison. While a state grand jury continues to investigate drug-running from inside the facility, the prison board wants to do its own investigation to determine whether any other prison employees violated county policy or the prison's ethical rules. The state investigation began after authorities charged convicted drug dealer Ron Whethers with using a smuggled cellular telephone to sell drugs while he was an inmate. Guard Anthony Shawley and six of Whethers's cohorts also were charged.

Commissioner Tom Ceraso, who also serves as chairman of the prison board, said a special meeting will be held to hire someone to conduct the review once the exact scope of the investigation is determined. Two board members, District Attorney John Peck and Commissioner Tom Balya, indicated they want a wide-ranging investigation started as soon as possible. Controller Jeff Pavettiand and Sheriff Chris Scherer want to know what specific areas the investigators will review before hiring an outsider. Scherer said he wants to wait until the grand jury finishes its



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# NATIONAL

## National Briefs

### Brothers, 74 and 80, charged in pot bust

PORT WASHINGTON, Wis. - Two brothers, ages 74 and 80, have been charged with running a large marijuana operation after agents confiscated more than half a million dollars in pot from their property.

Agents found nearly 500 marijuana plants on David Burmesch's farm and seized almost 100 pounds of processed marijuana from sheds on the property. They estimated the street value of the marijuana at \$598,000. If convicted, the brothers each face up to 30 years in prison.



AP File Photo  
The LAPD is expected to announce corruption can't be handled internally.

### LAPD agrees to list of reforms

The Los Angeles Police Department is expected to publicly confess this week that corruption is so widespread that it cannot be handled internally. The admission will come in the form of a consent decree, a legally bind-

ing agreement with the Justice Department that calls for reforms in the nation's second-largest police force. The department has been under federal investigation since 1996 for allegations that officers shot, beat and planted evidence on innocent people.

### Teen admits guilt in Ga. school shooting

CONYERS, Ga. - A teenager on Monday entered dual pleas of guilty and guilty but mentally ill in a 1999 school shooting that left six fellow students wounded. T.J. Solomon, who was 15 at the time, opened fire with a sawed-off rifle on 150 students in a common area at Heritage High School a month after Colorado's Columbine High massacre. A judge will next consider the results of mental evaluations on the now 17-year-old defendant.

### Selma's first black mayor takes oath

SELMA, Ala. - James Perkins took the oath of office Monday as Selma's first black mayor, promising to unite black and white residents of a city that played a pivotal role in the civil rights movement. Perkins, 47, won a Sept. 12 runoff, defeating white incumbent and former segregationist Joe Smitherman, 70, who has occupied the mayor's office for 36 years. The ceremony made history in a city where demonstrations led to passage of the 1965 Voting Rights Act and the opening of Southern polling booths to blacks.

### Suspected rapist found in cruise photos

PORT EVERGLADES, Fla. - A woman who says she was raped aboard a cruise ship Monday later picked her attacker's picture out

of a batch of souvenir photos. The 40-year-old woman told authorities she was attacked in a restroom on the SeaEscape as the ship was returning to port after a six-hour gambling and dining cruise. Investigators went through about 1,200 passenger photos in an effort to identify the male attacker. It is the first reported rape in the 18-year history of SeaEscape.

### Anxieties rise with Seattle's growth

SEATTLE - Although Seattle's crime statistics are falling, a recent spate of high profile crimes, including several downtown robberies, gang shootings and the police killing of a suspected bank robber, has left residents concerned for their safety. "Crime is down, but the level of anxiety is up," says Seattle's new police chief. Gangs, handguns, drugs and the need for quick cash are causes of much of the crime, officials and longtime residents say, but it's also rooted in the growing affluence of this image-conscious city of 550,000.

### Police won't be charged in Phila. arrest

PHILADELPHIA - Police officers will not be charged for shooting a carjacking suspect, but an investigation will continue into his televised beating, newspapers reported Saturday. Police fired nearly 50 rounds at Thomas Jones, 30, who was chased on foot and in cars after he was spotted driving a stolen car on July 12. A television news helicopter videotaped police officers kicking and punching Jones during the arrest.

### Three sea turtles released with tracking device

SAN DIEGO - Three sea turtles outfitted with transmitters were released into the ocean

Sunday as part of a research program to track their migration through the Pacific. The Pacific loggerheads have lived at Sea World more than two decades. They were expected to take a few days to get their bearings, then head west to nesting grounds in Japan. The turtles are expected to take up to a year to swim more than 6,000 miles to the Japanese coast. The data gathered from the transmitters also could reveal where turtles feed and mate.



AP File Photo  
Martin Luther King Jr. speaks to a crowd in the early Civil Rights days.

### Town forced to recognize King holiday

WALLINGFORD, Conn. - An arbitration panel ordered Monday that non-essential town offices close for the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, ending a dispute that received national publicity. Wallingford was the only Connecticut municipality that did not honor the January holiday. The controversy led to allegations of racism and prompted a visit by the Rev. Jesse Jackson in April. Ku Klux Klan members also came to the town.

## Weird News

### University to have professor of airline food

LONDON - Adding academic status as the latest in-flight option, the University of Surrey is appointing what it says will be the first professor of airline food. The International Flight Catering Association donated \$750,000 to sponsor the professorship, which is intended to promote study of airline catering. The university already provides some courses on in-flight catering. Airline food is a \$15 billion a year industry, employing 100,000 people worldwide, the university said.

### Naked man leads police on chase

CEDARBURG, Wis. - A bank robbery suspect being held in leg irons in a hospital allegedly grabbed a guard's gun, shot off his chains and fled in the nude, leading police on a car and foot chase that ended with officers shooting him in his buttocks. The 24-year-old man was arrested in connection with the armed robbery of the M&I Bank at Allenton. He was taken to a hospital for treatment for heroin withdrawal, but while being returned from a bathroom he used the needle of his

intravenous medication to attack the sheriff's deputy guarding him, authorities said. The deputy wasn't injured. The man's gown came off as he fought his way out of the hospital.

### When I grow up...

CHICAGO - Like many kids, 9-year-old Sho Yano dreams of becoming a doctor. What distinguishes him from other youngsters is that he plans to be in medical school within five years. Sho enrolled this fall as a full-time student at Loyola University, becoming the youngest student ever at the school. After being discouraged by schools because of his age, Sho convinced Loyola officials that he was ready to handle college work. He hopes to graduate at age 12 and enter Loyola's medical school by 14. He scored 1,500 of a possible 1,600 points on the Scholastic Aptitude Test.

### World funniest criminal videos

FRAMINGHAM, Mass. - The video of a burglar's botched attempt to break into an ATM machine appears destined for a criminal bloopers show. Police say the suspect first broke into a convenience store, then returned

to his truck and let the door close behind him. He forced his way in a second time. Back inside, he pushed and pulled on the cash machine - to no avail. Then he got back in his truck and rammed the store and the ATM. Still no luck. He eventually threw up his arms and walked out empty-handed, leaving police with a security tape.

### A new way to gamble in Vegas

LAS VEGAS - You don't have to wait to get to a casino to gamble in Las Vegas. Vegas visitors can now try their luck in the back of a taxi. Ten Yellow-Checker-Star cabs have been equipped with mobile video poker, blackjack and slot machines. In a couple of months, as many 600 taxis will be equipped with the computerized touch-screen devices. But cabbies won't have to worry about customers losing their tip money. Cab riders can play the machines for free, while racking up coupons from local advertisers.

### A minor offense

FREDERICK, Md. - Marcos Vargas can barely walk but he's already in trouble with the Motor Vehicle Administration. A letter

was mailed to Marcos shortly after his first birthday Sept. 10 notifying him that his failure to appear in traffic court could result in suspension of his license unless he paid a \$340 fine. The boy's father took his son to the administration office on Monday to set the matter straight. Marcos' parents had obtained a state identification card for him. When a man cited for driving without a license gave the name Marcos Vargas to police, police ran a check and retrieved the infant's state ID information, said an MVA official. The official said the mistake would be corrected.

### We built this city on socks

FORT PAYNE, Ala. - The community at the knee of Lookout Mountain boasts about 100 sock-producing mills. Local officials claim the tube sock was invented here and that one of every three pairs of socks are produced here. Now Fort Payne, where 60 million pairs of socks are produced yearly and where perhaps the largest sock store in the world is located, has the Hosiery Museum to preserve its history. The evolution of odd-looking sewing machines fills one wall of the building, while blown-up black-and-white pictures illustrate how millworkers' lives revolved around the mill.



## INTERNATIONAL

## Hurricane Keith visits Caribbean coast line at 75mph

COROZAL, Belize (AP) - Hurricane Keith toppled homes, ripped the roofs off hotels and caused flooding throughout Belize as it swirled just off the country's Caribbean coast Monday with 75 mph winds.

Flooding associated with Keith caused two deaths elsewhere in Central America, but the worst damage was done in Belize, where streets were flooded with more than 11 inches of rain that had fallen since Sunday.

No deaths or injuries were reported in

Belize, but a Red Cross official said reports over a cellular phone indicated considerable damage on the storm-ravaged island of Ambergris Cay, which lies roughly in the storm's path about 12 miles off Belize's coast.

Keith, which was born Friday in the Caribbean off Honduras, appeared stalled Monday about 30 miles east-northeast of Belize City. It has weakened steadily since it peaked as a category-three hurricane Sunday, but continued to punish the region.

The hurricane blew water from bays and shallow coasts on Sunday, allowing people to walk across exposed seabed and the National Hurricane Center in Miami to warn of a "potentially life-threatening situation" if the sea rushed back in suddenly.

About 4,000 people were evacuated in the nearby Mexican city of Chetumal over the weekend, and rain-swollen rivers killed a boy in Nicaragua and a man in El Salvador.

Flood waters had risen to two feet in

Belize City, about 20 homes were toppled and dozens of roofs were torn off. Power lines were down, sending cables sparking into flood waters.

The ocean water returned gradually to Chetumal Bay later Sunday, but sea levels at Corozal remained two feet below normal Monday.

## Mideast peace destroyed after gun fire in West Bank

JERUSALEM (AP) - Palestinian gunmen and Israeli troops exchanged fire Tuesday in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, ending a tentative cease-fire that lasted barely half a day and threatening hopes of reviving Mideast peace.

Hospital officials in Gaza said one man was killed and 10 were seriously wounded in a firefight at an Israeli army outpost near the isolated settlement of Netzarim. In the West Bank town of Nablus, gunmen returning from a funeral fired on a tiny Israeli enclave, drawing return fire.

There were also reports of shots fired in the West Bank town of Ramallah.

The violence, sparked by Thursday's visit of Ariel Sharon, the leader of the hard-line opposition Likud party, to a Jerusalem site holy to Muslims and Jews, has claimed more

than 50 lives so far - most Palestinian. A total of 19 people were killed Monday alone.

The renewed fighting came as the Israeli and Palestinian leaders prepared to attend talks in Paris with Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, who is trying hard to salvage the process. Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat were to meet separately, but the sides did not count out the possibility of trilateral meeting.

After Paris, Barak was headed to Cairo, where Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak was planning a leadership summit on Thursday. It was not clear whether Arafat planned to attend.

The outbreak of violence showed that Israel may have overestimated Arafat's influence over an enraged Palestinian population. Israel has said Arafat orchestrated the vio-

lence to extract concessions in negotiations with Israel.

Activists of Arafat's Fatah faction said they had instructed local gunmen not to shoot - but emotions were running high after the burial of a 15-year old boy from a neighboring refugee camp. None of the gunmen appeared to be members of the Palestinian police force.

Gunmen who had marched in the funeral, automatic rifles held aloft, headed straight for Joseph's Tomb, a flashpoint throughout the five days of fighting. Israeli troops responded with fire.

Throughout the West Bank, Palestinians said the cease-fire meant little in the face of their fury. "The cease-fire does not mean anything to us," said Anwar Takakh, joining stone-throwers in Bethlehem. "It is between

Arafat and Barak and does not apply to us."

Palestinians said an international inquiry into Israel's actions would be a condition of reviving the peace talks.

Israeli and Palestinian commanders had reached an understanding before dawn Tuesday that the Palestinians would try to contain violence and Israeli troops would pull back from points of friction. However, the agreement quickly unraveled.

During the five days of clashes, Palestinian gunmen had rushed Israeli outposts bordering Palestinian-controlled areas. Israeli tanks trained guns on luxury apartments in Ramallah, and Israeli helicopter gunships swooped over civilian areas.

The sides hoped the Paris meetings would not only end the fighting, but revive the talks.

## —International Briefs—

## Military has few leads on hostages

JOLO, Philippines - Military officials conceded Tuesday they have few leads on the location of five remaining hostages held by Muslim rebels following the recovery a day earlier of 12 Christian evangelists. There have been no recent sightings of the American, three Malaysians and the Filipino on southern Jolo island. Meanwhile, the 12 freed Filipino evangelists were welcomed Tuesday in a ceremony at Manila's presidential palace by the Philippine president. The wave of kidnappings by the Abu Sayyaf rebels has badly embarrassed the government and tarnished the Philippines' reputation among tourists and investors.

## Trudeau mourned by Canadians

MONTREAL - The late Pierre Trudeau, the flamboyant prime minister who kept Canada united and propelled it on to the world stage, was returned to his beloved hometown of Montreal for the last time. Trudeau, who died last Thursday, was to be buried privately after a state funeral at the Notre-Dame Basilica. Dignitaries attending the service include former President Carter, Fidel Castro, Britain's Prince Andrew, former French Prime Minister Raymond Barre and the Aga Khan. Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien, four former prime ministers, and 1,000 members of the public are also expected to attend.

## Tanker runs aground near

## Singapore

SINGAPORE - A Panama-registered tanker ran aground between Indonesia and Singapore at dawn Tuesday, spilling about 2 million gallons of crude oil into the sea, officials said. No injuries were reported among the 32 people aboard the vessel. The leakage appeared to have stopped. An oil patch about one mile long and half a mile wide was drifting toward Indonesia's Riau islands, which lie about 12 miles south of Singapore, officials said. Cleanup crews are on the scene.

## Yugoslav strikes may force Milosevic out

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia - Tuesday brought the second day of powerful strikes, blockades and walkouts that threaten to force Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic into admitting electoral defeat. In an unprecedented effort, Yugoslavia's top military leader negotiated with striking miners at the Kolubara mine complex, which supplies a key power plant. No deal has been announced. An unbowed Milosevic has called the opposition puppets of the West.

## Bomb explodes in German synagogue

DUESSELDORF, Germany - Unknown assailants firebombed a synagogue in the western industrial city of Duesseldorf on the eve of the 10th anniversary of Germany's reunification, police said Tuesday. The assailants threw up to three Molotov cocktails through the glass of the synagogue's main door late Monday, police said. No one was

injured and damage was minimal.

## Economic wall still splits Germany

BELZIG, Germany - Although most citizens of what had been communist East Germany would acknowledge that they're better off now than they were 11 years ago when the Berlin Wall crumbled, not all would give the new capitalist system a ringing endorsement. As one German explains, "I have many possibilities in many areas, but life is not so secure anymore as it used to be...I thought we should keep the (Communist) system but improve it." Those feelings remain widespread as Germany on Tuesday celebrates 10 years of unification.

## Ancient city rescued from flooding

BELKIS, Turkey - It was a race against time - and archaeologists say they won. Water crept in a foot a day over the past three months, slowly submerging the ancient city of Zeugma, a key transit point across the Euphrates River believed to have been more than three times the size of the Roman city of Pompeii. More than 250 archaeologists and other specialists fought to rescue elaborate mosaics and other ancient Greek and Roman remains. The operation finishes Thursday, when the water of the Birecik Dam - part of a multibillion dollar energy and irrigation project in southeastern Turkey - is due to reach its maximum size, covering 30% of Zeugma. But everyone agrees: It's a success story.

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## U-WIRE

### Federal Drug Administration approves abortion pill mifepristone

By Amy Boerema

(U-WIRE) CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — The Food and Drug Administration on Thursday approved the use of the abortion pill RU-486, which could be available to doctors within a month.

The pill, which is already used in 13 countries by millions of women, needs to be used within the first 49 days after the beginning of the woman's last menstrual period. Studies show the drug is 92 to 95 percent effective in causing early abortion by blocking the action of the hormone progesterone. This causes the uterine lining to thin so an embryo cannot remain implanted.

It is difficult to say how the approval of the drug will affect students, said Dr. Anne Robin, staff physician at McKinley Health Center and medical director at Planned Parenthood of East Central Illinois.

Although Robin said the possibility of providing the pill through McKinley will most likely be discussed soon, she could not confirm future plans to do so. Currently, University of Illinois health centers follow a general policy of diagnosing a pregnancy, counseling students and providing them with referrals.

McKinley Health Center offers students many contraceptive options, including birth control pills, condoms, morning-after pills,

Depo-Provera, diaphragms and IUDs. Any female student who has had a physical exam, whether at McKinley or at another provider, is eligible for contraceptives.

Robin emphasized the difference between the abortion pill and contraceptives such as the morning-after pill, which McKinley has provided for 20 years.

"This is not birth control; this is for when birth control fails," Robin said. "The morning-after pill is a completely differing thing. It's always very confusing for people."

Planned Parenthood of East Central Illinois will consider offering it although it is not ready to now, said Kathie Spegal, director of community affairs.

Anti-abortion organizations have fought to keep the drug out of the United States since its 1988 debut in France. In 1989, President Bush's administration banned the drug from the country.

The Clinton-Gore administration worked for the last seven years to bring the drug here.

The pill is known by its chemical name, mifepristone. The process involves a woman taking three pills and returning to the doctor two days later for a second drug, misoprostol, that causes uterine contractions to expel the embryo. Two weeks later, the woman will return for another visit to confirm the abortion is complete.

### Yahoo!'s advertising campaign angers Ohio University students

By Natalie Myers  
OHIO UNIVERSITY

(U-WIRE) ATHENS, Ohio — Yahoo!'s newest ads have evoked angry responses from some college students nationwide.

The ads, promoting Yahoo! messenger and Yahoo! mail, were designed as part of a campaign targeting college students. The ads were distributed to college newspapers nationwide, said Jackson Holtz, Yahoo! spokesperson. They were designed to be kind of quirky, edgy, and different, he said.

However, Yahoo!'s first ad, "Stoney — get over here quick! She's about to take her top off. — Bob," was one that did not impress some Ohio University students.

"I was surprised that anybody in this day and age would find it appropriate to use that type of advertising, especially after considering sexual harassment issues on college campuses," said Ohio University junior Kristin Tucker, president of the Feminist Majority. "I think it was highly inappropriate."

OU junior Matt Meyer, a member of Positive Action, agreed.

"It was really offensive," he said. "A majority of my friends thought it was wrong. I was really bothered by it."

In addition to students' personal reactions, anonymous individuals expressing anger with Yahoo!'s original advertisement placed imitation ads in some Sept. 28 editions of The Post.

The words, "Yahoo! Misogynist - The only people who use it support misogyny" were printed across the bottom of the mock advertisement.

Yahoo! did cancel the "Stoney" ad after receiving a small amount of negative feedback, Holtz said.

"We felt bad that some people might have been offended by it," he said.

Other newspapers across the nation, which are read by college students, have experienced problems with the ad as well.

One problem was that Yahoo! sent the ads directly to the printers, bypassing an opportunity for anyone to see them before they were inserted into the newspapers.

### Racially offensive *Black Threat Barbie* removed from art gallery

By Jeffrey Hipp

(U-WIRE) AUSTIN, Texas — The latest art exhibition on display in the Texas Union gallery will close today, but one piece was removed more than a week ago due to its perceived racially offensive message.

The piece in question, entitled *Black Threat Barbie*, depicted a black mannequin holding a gun in one hand and a syringe in the other, placed inside a 6-foot pink box, which resembled an oversized Barbie doll package. The piece was part of a Fine Arts Committee exhibit entitled "Have You Seen Me?"

Nathan Heiges, a member of the Texas Union Council's Fine Arts Committee and curator of the exhibit, made the decision to pull the piece after members of the University of Texas at Austin student body complained that the image was racially offensive.

"I regret having to pull it, but I also regret the hard feelings it caused," he said. "We certainly had no intention of upsetting people."

The artist, Roy Stanfield, a studio art junior, said the point of *Black Threat Barbie* was to point out and criticize the image of minorities that society holds. By emphasizing

and exaggerating these perceived traits, he said he hoped to show the absurdity of these beliefs.

"The Barbie doll is ridiculous and the *Black Threat Barbie* doll is even more so," Stanfield said. "This was meant to say 'Hey, look at what I was taught to believe. It's just as ridiculous as believing little girls should be like this.'"

Just like society expects girls to live up to the image of Barbie, he said, minorities are expected to adopt the persona of the *Black Threat Barbie*.

Heiges, who said a statement of the art's purpose should have been included with the piece, added that it was pulled because of the initial reaction of viewers.

"Because people had such a strong emotional reaction, there wasn't even an opportunity for them to realize [the meaning of the piece]," he said.

Stanfield said while he understands the council's decision, he doesn't agree with the exhibit's removal.

"I totally understand where they're coming from," he said. "I'm just not sure whether or not it was a good idea to make this."

### Green Party candidate Ralph Nader leads the independent race

By Chris Schafer  
Minnesota Daily (U. Minnesota)

(U-WIRE) MINNEAPOLIS — A week ago today, the independent faithful were twitching in anticipation of the night that lay in wait for them. Last Friday was all about celebration and motivational speeches and revolting against the two-party system that has dominated this country's government seemingly forever. Ralph Nader, the most famous and widely considered independent candidate before and/or since Ross Perot (the first time around), was in town.

The representative for the Green Party came to the Target Center to drum up support for his title shot at the White House heavy-weight belt.

He entered the stadium and the people cheered, he gave an inspirational speech and the audience applauded, and before he left, he collected some money that his underfunded campaign sorely needs. But the eventual outcome will remain the same: Ralph Nader can-

not win the presidency.

Is it because he doesn't have enough political experience? Tell that to a Nader supporter, and they'll jump at the chance to prove you wrong, and they legitimately could. The guy probably has more experience than Bush and Gore combined. Nader is truly a man of the people, always at the forefront exposing scandalous corporate America when they take advantage of the little guy, and he isn't pitching views from way out in right field that might turn some people away. So why can't he win the presidency?

Because in America, even though government would like to convince you otherwise, your vote doesn't always count. Now this isn't one of those cheesy "don't vote" columns that tries to tell you to take a stand by not voting. You should vote because it's your right, and in almost every occurrence, your vote does matter. Your vote matters when we, as a state, must select a new senator; the vote of the younger generation certainly mattered when we elected our governor.

But in the race for president, your vote works as little more than closure. If your candidate loses, it gives you the ability to say, "Hey, I didn't vote for him." It makes future situations easier to swallow. I should know — that little saying has helped me through each of Clinton's little "incidents."

So why is voting so important in so many races but frivolous in the biggest race of all? Because in America, we don't tally votes to decide our next president. We allow the Electoral College to do that for us. The Electoral College, a system that dispenses giant votes of "state worth" to each state, depending on their population. A system that should have gone the way of the rotary phone long ago.

The system was originally created in order to tabulate polls from all states during times of poor communication. But this type of talk-to-all-your-friends-and-give-us-one-majority-answer style of polling is no longer necessary today. As human beings in the 21st century, we are masters of communication. The aver-

age person has a couple of phone numbers as well as a couple of e-mail addresses. We can instantly get in touch with anyone we want, whenever we want, and certainly no longer need to cumulate all of our votes into one lump sum.

It is this idea of all votes being combined into one giant vote that makes the Electoral College so undemocratic.

If we want to create a truly democratic society, we need to abolish the Electoral College and return elections to a system that puts emphasis on people support rather than state support. Otherwise, we make it impossible for the national election to ever be more than a two-horse race.

So, Mr. Nader, I hope you had fun last Friday. Take a moment, remember the applause that greeted you, and be sure you thanked them all for their support because when November rolls around, the Electoral College will ensure that their voices will not be heard.



# SPORTS

## Titans capture first conference win against W & J

By Randy Leasure  
STAFF WRITER

Four thousand Washington & Jefferson gridiron fans turned out Sept. 30 to watch their undefeated Presidents knock down the Titans. Four quarters later they would leave the field with the mark in the loss column still fresh on the page. The Titans pushed for their first PAC win against AFCA Division III 10th ranked W & J in an exceptional effort. The 19-17 victory totals the Titan record at 3-1. W & J came into the game having scored at least 50 points in each of their prior three wins.

Marking the first time WC and W & J have played each other in 70 years, this match-up was publicized as the game to watch, as it turned out to be. After a scoreless first quarter, the Titans got on the board first, when junior Jon McCartney booted a 22-yard field goal with 11 minutes remaining in the half.

Presidents kicker Luke Ravenstall answered with a 27-yard field goal of his own with 5:31 remaining in the half. The score was tied at three.

With the clock at 1:29, W & J scored a touchdown and extra point on a 26-yard pass from sophomore quarterback Brian Dawson to Ryan Silvas. W & J led into halftime, 10-3.

Although the two teams played a scoreless third quarter, the turning point in the game came with 5:30 left in the third. Titan senior CB Aaron Stamp intercepted a pass from Dawson, giving the Titans the ball and a +6

turnover ratio on the season. The resulting drive by the Titans saw senior RB John Ciavarra, make several nice gains on the ground, as well as a reception for a first down at the Presidents 10-yard line.

Just three plays into the final period, senior Titan QB James Graham completed a 9-yard pass to senior WR Derek Black for a touchdown. McCartney made good on his kick and the game was tied at 10.

With eight minutes left in the game, after Ciavarra caught two passes and turned in a nice run in the drive, Graham handed the ball off to junior ILB/FB Eric Witt who ran four yards to the end zone for the go ahead score.

"We bring him (Witt) in to play fullback on short-yardage offense," said head coach Jerry Schmitt. McCartney's extra point brought the Titans up 17-10.

Six plays later with 1:53 left in regulation, the Presidents were able to move down the field and score another touchdown. Dawson led the drive with a 47-yard completion to Todd Fry, taking the ball to the Titan 1-yard line. Jon Pons ran the last yard into the end zone for the Presidents. Luke Ravenstall added the extra point, and once again, the score was tied, 17-17.

With 4:25 remaining, a McCartney punt pinned the Presidents deep in their own territory. Two plays later, senior DT Chuck Szabo dropped Dawson in his own end zone for a safety, scoring what would be the winning two points of the game.

The Titans received the ensuing punt, and

despite using all three time-outs, the Presidents could do little more than watch as the Titan offense ran out the remaining 3:15, clinching the victory.

"Our defense played an overall solid performance. The offense made big plays in certain situations, when we needed them. Special teams did a good job on execution throughout the entire game," Schmitt said.

Schmitt had nothing but praise for his players, speaking with pride in his team.

"It's because the players played hard the entire game. They played with confidence, intensity and poise. In the end, I think it was their will that made us come out on top," he said.

Ciavarra had a total of 124 yards rushing on 28 carries to lead the team. He also had 36 receiving yards with 3 receptions, second only to senior WR Brian Lipiello, who had 43 yards with 5 receptions. Running a close third was senior Brian Rigby with 33 yards on 2 receptions, followed by Black with 25 yards on 2 receptions and one TD. Graham was 15 of 24 for 160 yards and a touchdown, with no interceptions. McCartney made his



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John Ciavarra led the Titans with 124 yards rushing and 28 carries.

only attempt at a field goal, as well as both extra point attempts. His punting abilities were highly instrumental in the final score.

Szabo, besides having the Dawson sack in the end zone for the safety and the go ahead score, also led the team in sacks with a total of four, for 26 yards.

## Soccer team shuts out Grove City, W&J

By Emily Ludovici  
STAFF WRITER

The Lady Titan soccer team ended a busy week with a 5-6 record, after playing Grove City Sept. 26, Washington & Jefferson Sept. 29 and Edinboro Sept. 30.

WC dished out back-to-back shut-outs against Grove City and W & J, with both games ending at 4-0. The Titans could not continue their streak as Edinboro shut them out 3-0.

Junior Stacey Tempalski scored two goals during the Grove City game. Senior Ashley Pyle and Sophomore Tammy Newell helped to win the game, each with a goal and assists. Junior Sarah Morrison made five saves in the game for her third shut-out of the semester.

"I feel like we're communicating a lot better as a team than we were at the beginning of

the semester," Newell said.

Against W & J, sophomore Katie Krone and Pyle both made goals and assists. Tempalski and freshman Michelle Chivan both made goals. Morrison made eight saves during that game.

In the Titan loss, Edinboro scored a goal six minutes into the game. They scored two more goals in the second half.

The Lady Titan soccer team is undefeated so far in President's Athletic Conference (PAC) games.

"I think we're playing really well together. We're getting to know where the other players are at on the field," Newell said.

The team was ranked in NCAA Division III (PAC), and over the next two years should be listed among the national statistical leaders in NCAA Division II.



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Tammy Newell lines up a shot on goal.

## Tennis team defeats Mt. Union, Bethany

Rachel Miller  
STAFF WRITER

The women's tennis team went 2-1 on the week after beating Mt. Union and Bethany and losing to Grove City.

"Grove City is the hardest match we will play the whole season, and we can only expect to get better as the season progresses," said sophomore Suzanne Leyden.

"We knew going in Grove City would be

our toughest match in the PAC. They have been dominant in the conference for years," coach Kip Haas said. "I think that the team played very well against them much better than we did last year. I expect to improve against them next year. The women's tennis team played very good tennis. Grove City was just a little better than we are right now."

This week the team will play Slippery Rock University Oct. 4 at home before traveling to Hiram Oct. 5.

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teams for  
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HARVEST



## Marion Jones: an Olympic heroine

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Olympics are over and Marion Jones' "Drive for Five" is a memory. Although she is not a five-time gold medalist, she is anything but a failure. Jones earned an unprecedented three gold medals in the 100, 200, and 4x 400 relay, and two bronze metals in the long jump and the 4x100 relay. While some consider that a disappointment, Jones should still be seen as the greatest female athlete in the world.

After watching Florence Griffith Joyner and Jackie Joyner-Kersey compete at the Seoul Olympics, Jones, an eighth-grader, wrote on a blackboard: "I want to be an Olympic champion." When Jones was a freshman at Rio Mesa High in Oxnard, Ca., Inger Miller, her main rival, was a senior at Pasadena's Muir High School. The two met for the first time at the prestigious Arcadia Invitational meet and competed in both the 100 and 200 meters. Miller won both events, but afterward an official told her, "It's a good thing you beat her now, because I don't think you'll ever beat her again." Recalling the incident at Arcadia, Miller says, "[Jones] wasn't very cordial after getting beat by me."

In September of 1993, Jones arrived for her freshman year to play basketball for North Carolina. When Jones, a 5'11" forward, showed up for practice in November, her coach asked her to develop a "point-guard mentality." Jones spent an extra 45 minutes each day working on dribbling and by her fourth game became the starting point guard. Unfortunately, she forfeited her senior season at North Carolina to "concentrate on becoming the fastest woman in the world."

However, quitting any team doesn't come without controversy. Many believe that C.J. Hunter, seven years her senior and divorced with two children, influenced her decision to give up her final year of eligibility. During the three years that Jones ran the point, North Carolina went 92-10 and didn't lose an Atlantic Coast Conference tournament game.

Her husband, surrounded by drug controversy during the Olympic games, only slightly took away from Jones' quest. At a press conference after the announcement that Hunter had tested positive for anabolic steroids, Jones gracefully told the press to leave her alone and let her focus on her goal. She handled the scandal with dignity and respect, befitting her character.

Reflecting on her goal of winning five Olympic golds, Jones said, "Right now, at 24, I think I can do what I say I can do. I've always been that way. As a kid I was a little bad ass, confident, able to walk around and do it all, or at least think I could do it all. ... My ultimate goal is to be mentioned in the same sentence as Michael Jordan, Muhammad Ali or Pele." If the 2000 Olympics are any indication of the greatness of Marion Jones, her name will be around for years to come.

While these were not the fairy-tale Olympics that Jones imagined once upon a time, she affirmed her status as the fastest woman alive, winning the 100 and 200, and tied a bow around her performance with a blistering leg in the 1,600 relay. But the bronzes in the long jump and 400 relay left her with a feeling she can't quite describe. Not sad, not disappointed, just not what she had intended. Yet, she knows how lucky she is to have her medals, her health, and a life she loves.

After the Games, she posed for photos with an 11-year-old girl with leukemia, Mya Thompson, of Ithaca, N.Y., who was flown to Sydney by the Make-A-Wish Foundation of America. Mya's wish: to watch Jones in the Olympics. These are one of those moments when Jones can put her own experience in perspective, when the difference between gold and bronze is less important.

## Men's soccer team breaks school record

By Robert Fisher  
STAFF WRITER

The men's soccer team broke a school win-streak record with their 1-0 win over Washington & Jefferson Sept. 30.

The win increased their record to 6-2-1.

Sophomore goalie Kevin Humberston had 10 saves, and the only goal of the game coming off the foot of sophomore Pasquale Reino.

"That goal was early on in the game and I didn't know it was going to be that important, but it turned out to be important than I thought," Reino said. "We missed a lot of chances to score later on, so I'm glad I got that one in."

The Titans had 27 shots on the W & J goal. Those missed chances left many of the Titan players feeling that despite the win, this was not one of their better games.

"They were a decent team," senior Jake Joyce said. "We didn't play that well, but we got out with the win."

Sophomore Nick D'Antonio cited several

missed scoring opportunities. "We had a lot of shots over the net and a shot on an open net that was blocked by a defender," he said.

The Titans also had their share of injuries. Sophomore Jimmy Green sat out due to an aggravated knee and freshman Matt Roser collided with the goalie early in the game.

"He played the rest of the game. Matt is one of our better players, and since he wasn't at 100 percent, that probably hurt our chances up top," D'Antonio said.

Coach Girish Thakar remained positive. "I know the guys were a little disappointed, but sometimes it's the mark of a good team to get in there and get the win," Thakar said.

He attributed the team's performance to the small, bumpy and dry field conditions at W & J's Cameron Stadium.



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The Titans' win over W&J broke the school win-streak record.

## Cross country teams race to victory at Waynesburg

By Anne Poland  
STAFF WRITER

The men's cross country team swept the Waynesburg Invitational Sept. 30, taking first out of three teams with seven runners finishing in the top ten spots. The Lady Titans took second out of six teams in spite of course complications. Waynesburg and Washington and Jefferson were the men's competition, while the women ran against Thiel, Bethany, Waynesburg, Seton Hill and Washington and Jefferson.

The top finishers overall for the men were junior Jacob Gleason taking first and freshman Tim Snyder coming in third.

"We were able to reach all our goals and set a standard for the PAC meet. Hopefully we scared all the other teams in the process,"

Gleason said.

Westminster had seven runners finish in the top ten places. Gleason, Snyder, freshman Sean Gallagher, sophomores Dan Beckwith and Bryan Mackrell, and juniors Travis Gatesman and Andy Chiapusio finished in the top ten spots.

"We basically ran this course to prove to ourselves and everyone else how good we are this season," Mackrell said. "I think everyone got the times they were hoping for."

This is the fourth invitational the team has won this year. Their record now stands at 30-4.

Junior Desiree Henry, senior Jennifer Bennett, and sophomore Lydia Humenysky led the way for the Lady Titans running in first, second and third places respectively until they missed a turn on the course. The women had to back track and ultimately fell behind the other

runners.

This was the first year Waynesburg has ever had a home course. The course was at an airport instead of at the school. Despite complications the women took second place out of six teams.

"There's no question that we would have won this if they hadn't gone the wrong way," said coach Gary Lilly.

Bennett, Humenysky and freshman Sara Ialongo finished in the top ten.

This meet marks the fourth invitational the team has competed in this season. Out of the four they have had two first places and two second places.

The teams ran at Waynesburg as practice for the PAC championship, which will take place on that very course Oct. 28.

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Saturday 6:15-7:15 pm.

Beginning Sept 11th

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# HOMECOMING

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Friday, October 6

3:30 Powder Puff Football

Game 1: 3:30-3:50

Game 2: 4:00-4:20

Game 3: 4:30-4:50

5:00 Introduction of fall sports teams and Homecoming candidates

### AWARD FOR MOST SPIRITED ORGANIZATION!

3-legged race

Water Balloon Toss

Kiss a Pig Contest

5:15-6:00 Dinner (60 foot sub!!!)

*\*Dinner will not be served in the cafeteria! Please bring your Titan Card!*

### Saturday, October 7

10:00 Parade

1:05 Pregame

Announcement of Homecoming float winners

Introduction of the homecoming court

Band pregame show

1:30 Football game vs. Bethany

Halftime band show

Presentation and crowning of the King and Queen

### Alumni Events

#### Friday, October 6

1:00 - 4:30 p.m. Golden Tower Society Hospitality Suite, Ferguson lounge

3:00 Campus tour departing from Ferguson lounge

6:30 Citation celebration Dinner, Russell Dining Hall

#### Saturday, October 7

8 - 11 a.m. Hospitality Tent, Senior Terrace

8 - 4 Golden Tower Society Hospitality Suite, Ferguson lounge

8:30 a.m. Breakfast with the Books, McGill Library

10:30 Campus tour departing from Senior Terrace

11:30 Golden Tower Society Luncheon, Russell Dining Hall

All Alumni Picnic, Amphitheater  
Fifth cluster reunion picnic, Orr lobby

6:00 Reunion reception and dinners

#### Sunday, October 8

10:30 a.m. Worship service at New Wilmington Presbyterian Church

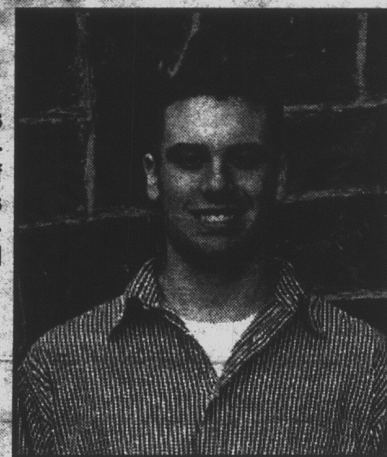


#### Kylene Adams, Sigma Kappa

Kylene is an elementary education major. Her campus activities include Habitat for Humanity, SGA Academic Chair, Kappa Delta Pi Honors Society, Fresh Start and Vice President of Membership and Chaplain of Sigma Kappa sorority. She is involved with community work teaching math activities at Wilmington Middle School and teaching Jr. High Sunday School classes as well as directing the Jr. Church program at Shenango Presbyterian Church.

#### Kevin Webb, Phi Kappa Tau

Kevin is an elementary education major. He is a member of SGA, Kappa Delta Pi, the Self-Study Steering Committee for Reaccreditation of the College, Newman Club, and is a Teacher's Assistant at the Learning Center. After graduation, Kevin wants to teach elementary school and one day become a principal.

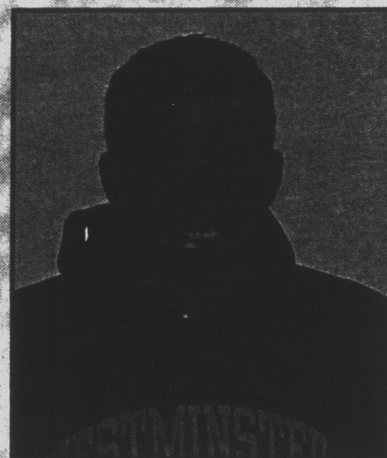


#### Lindsey Yankle, Alpha Gamma Delta

Lindsey is an elementary education major. She is a member of Alpha Gamma Delta, SGA, Kappa Delta Pi, and the College Appeals Board.

#### Ryan Oman, Sigma Nu

Ryan is an elementary education major. He is a member of Sigma Nu and the basketball team.

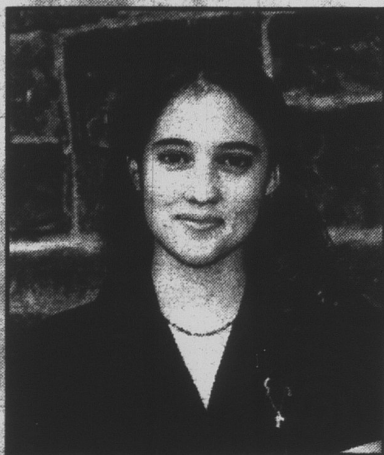


#### Pamela McCalmont, Independent

Pamela is an elementary education major with a minor in speech communications. Pam possesses a deep love for children and enjoys talking and getting to know all kinds of people. Dancing is one of her favorite hobbies and she has a weakness for eating out at new restaurants. She is a member of Dance Theatre, Fresh Start and SWAT, as well as the Vice President of Kappa Delta Pi. When not busy with schoolwork or college activities, she enjoys spending time with her Adopt-a-Grandma, Anna, baby-sitting a Westminster family's children, and participating in a variety of activities at her nearby church.



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## Andrea Majot, Kappa Delta

Andrea is an English major, with a Spanish minor. She is involved on campus as managing editor of *the Holcad*, and as an active member of her sorority. Her future plans include graduate school and working as a newspaper or magazine editor.

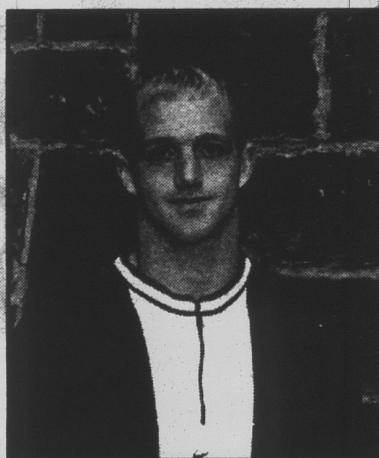


## Corrine Gaglia, Phi Mu

Corrine is a neuroscience major. She is involved in Phi Mu, cheerleading, Allies, Psych club, FPRAT of SSSC, Girl Scouts and is a VISA chair.

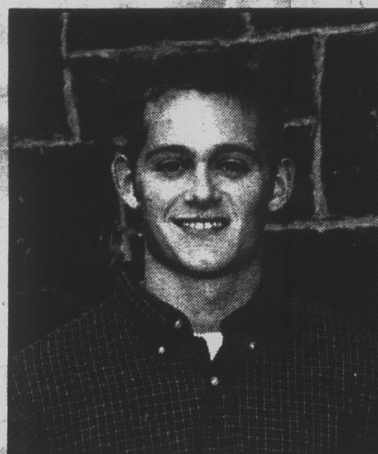
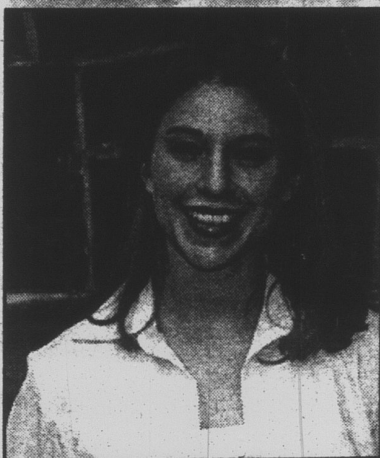
## Greg Robinson, Independent

Greg is a history major and a member of the history club. He has earned two varsity letters in football and has been an RA for two years. Greg is also involved in the Big Brother Big Sister program.



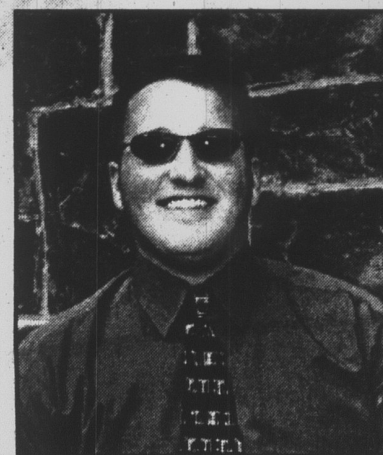
## Jamie Freund, Zeta Tau Alpha

Jamie is an elementary education major, general science minor. She has been on the dean's list every semester. Some of the activities Jamie has been involved in include Zeta Tau Alpha, Dance Theatre, Kappa Delta Pi, Lambda Sigma and Cheerleading. She is also a student member on the board of trustees and a student aide at the Westminster Preschool.



## Beau McElfresh, Sigma Phi Epsilon

Beau is a business administration major and consistent member of the Dean's List. He holds the position of Chaplain of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, while also being head of the Standards Board. On campus he is senator of SGA, a member of Lambda Sigma Honor Society during sophomore year, and an employee of Westminster College Phone-A-Thon.

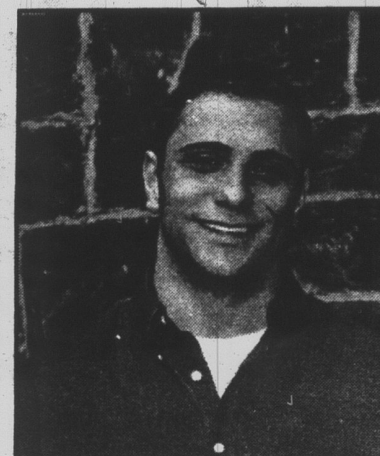


## Dan DiDesiderio III, Alpha Sigma Phi

Dan is a music education major. He is active in numerous performance groups including Wind Ensemble, Jazz and Marching Bands, and various other ensembles in the Pittsburgh and New Castle area. He is the Philanthropy Chairman for Alpha Sigma Phi and organized last year's Relay for Life for the American Cancer Society. The event raised \$28,000 and gave the college nationwide attention. He enjoys the outdoors and traveling. Dan plans on being a high school music teacher with hopes of teaching at a university.

## Jason Gabany, Theta Chi

Jason is a Broadcast Communications major. He has been on the swim team for three years. His other activities include concert choir, marching band, theatre productions, chapel drama, and Fresh Start. Upon graduation Jason plans to head to New York and obtain a B.F.A. in musical theatre and eventually gain his masters in communications.





## YOUR HEALTH

### Bacterial meningitis vaccination given at health center

Each year we hear and read more about bacterial meningitis or meningococcal meningitis. Meningitis affects the fluid and membranes around the brain and spinal cord. The infection is spread by prolonged or frequent direct contact with infected individuals (sharing a glass or utensils, kissing) or through the air via droplets of respiratory secretions (coughing, sneezing). Symptoms of meningococcal meningitis include stiff neck, severe headache, fever, nausea and vomiting, increased sensitivity to bright light, rash, confusion, seizures and coma. Testing the individual's blood and/or spinal fluid is necessary for a diagnosis of meningitis. It can effectively be treated with antibiotics, but it is vital that treatment be started early. If meningococcal

infection is not treated, it can lead to permanent disabilities such as hearing loss, brain damage, kidney failure, amputation or even to death within 24 to 48 hours. With prompt diagnosis fewer than 10% of those infected will die. Meningococemia (infection of the bloodstream with meningococcal bacteria) can also lead to permanent disabilities or death.

The number of cases of meningitis has almost doubled among young adults from 1991 to 1996. For reasons that are not fully understood at this time, studies indicate that college students are more susceptible than the general population. Studies have suggested that living and working in close proximity to others, stress, sleep deprivation, exposure to

active and passive smoking, alcohol consumption and bar patronage all increase the chance of contracting meningitis from someone with the infection. The greatest incidence of this disease occurs in the late winter and early spring.

There is a vaccine available that can provide protection against four of the five most common strains of meningococcal disease, which account for nearly 70% of meningococcal cases on college campuses. The American College Health Association has recommended that college students, especially first year students living in residence halls, consider meningococcal immunization to reduce the risk of infection. The vaccine is considered safe with possible adverse reac-

tions which may include redness and swelling at the injection site and mild fever lasting up to two days. Development of immunity occurs within 7 to 10 days after the injection. A single dose of the vaccine is recommended. The duration of effectiveness is 3 to 5 years. The Student Health Center has been working with VACCESS Health to make this vaccine available here at Westminster College.

Students will be able to receive this vaccine on Thursday, November 16, 2000 from 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the Main Lounge of the Student Union. The fee for the immunization is \$75.00 and can be billed to the student account or to a major credit card. If you have any questions about the vaccine you can call VACCESS Health at 1-877-482-2237 or visit their website at [www.vaccess.com](http://www.vaccess.com).

### Zeta Tau Alpha sponsors Breast Cancer awareness programs

By Jessica Borchart  
STAFF WRITER

Rusty leaves and bonfires, football games and homecoming, mid-semester break and Halloween: all these and more epitomize the month of October. One aspect of October many are not aware of is that October is also Breast Care Awareness Month.

Originated on a national basis in 1985, the idea was founded by the American Academy of Family Physicians and Cancer Care. Together these organizations hold a week-long event to inform the public about this life-threatening disease and the importance of communication.

Over 17 public service organizations, professional medical associations and govern-

ment agencies currently work in partnership to raise awareness and provide access to screening services and treatment to women nationwide.

Here on campus, the sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha have chosen The Susan G. Komen Breast Care Foundation as their philanthropy. The Komen Foundation's mission is to eradicate breast cancer by advancing research, education, screening and treatment. Since the foundation's inception in 1982, it has raised over \$240 million. This money is then used toward breast cancer research.

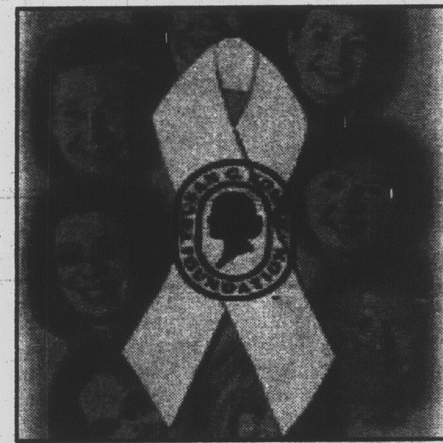
The sisters share in this process by distributing pink ribbons to spread the word about breast cancer and concerns regarding the disease. The Zetas continue to post breast exam shower cards in all the dorm bathrooms. These cards express how early detection is the

best protection and they show diagrams on the proper ways to do self-examinations. They stress that monthly self-examination is an important way to lower your risk.

"It is good that they alert and remind us of the seriousness of the disease," sophomore Jen Beer said. "We should be aware of how important it is to detect it early."

Sophomore Samantha O'Toole said, "I think what the Zetas are doing is a wonderful idea. The cards show women what to do and that monthly examinations are critical. My grandmother didn't find out until the disease had progressed. It's great that we have this reminder so it's not too late for us."

October shouldn't be the only month we think about this disease. It should become a habit to every woman, no matter what her age.



The Susan G. Komen Breast Care Foundation was started in 1982.

### Debating the myth or reality of sisterhood on campus

By Babs Quincy  
COUNSELOR

I grew up in a large family with three sisters. Even though I'm 500+ miles away from them, I experience their support no matter what I'm going through in my life. What a gift! Friends tell me how lucky I am, because I know that I always have three supportive women who I can count on. Sure, I have big phone bills and to visit is no small task, but come hell or high water, they are there for me. I know about sisterhood. I know that my relationships with my sisters and other close female friends will outlast a lot of other relationships. As a single woman this is solid ground. It gives me the sense of continuity, belonging and community that I want and need in my life. Having close sisters has also given me good experience in knowing how to be a friend, and I can truly say that my close friends feel like sisters. I'm sure yours do as well.

Sisterhood is powerful. Sisterhood is strength. Sisterhood is accountability. Sisterhood is supportive, not competitive. I've always said that the sign of a true Feminist is a woman who can be truly happy and proud of the successes of another woman, not jealous or backstabbing. When I'm off track, and am not centered, or when I'm being too accommodating (especially with men), my sisters/friends get concerned. They want me

to be as valued and held in just as high esteem with other people as I am with them. They want me to feel as good about myself as they do about me. They call me to task if I'm allowing myself to be disrespected, downgraded or dumped on in any way. This is simply not tolerated by any of us! Our bonds are based on mutual respect and wanting the very best for the other.

There's a lot of sisterhood talk here on campus, and a lot of "good" sisterhood as I just described. Sororities certainly have the potential to be cohesive organizations, where women have a sense of belonging, togetherness and mutual respect and support. Knowing you always have sisters to count on is certainly not something to be taken lightly. Naturally, one does not have to be part of a sorority to experience this. "Independents" make just as close friends as sorority sisters.

Something that does concern me though is the criterion for membership. We had sororities in my high school, and I joined one. I quickly became aware that this sorority wasn't what it claimed to be. I couldn't stand the "in" or "out" mentality, or the feeling that we were 'better than', and special because we were in this group. I'm not judging sororities based on my goofy experience as a high school kid. However, as the Counselor at WC, I hear a lot of stuff, as you can imagine. I think one of the things that grieves me the most is when I hear about the women on campus who

turn themselves into pretzels trying to live by standards of superficiality, cultural mindlessness and the total banality of buying into beliefs that say you have to be thin and pretty to be worth anything. Women tearing down women who are "less than," and actually rejecting them for reasons that have absolutely no substance whatsoever, to me is a disgrace. It makes me want to scream and tear my hair out! I just hate it when women define themselves by how they look or by whether guys find them attractive. Do you really want to support that kind of thinking?

As an aside, I also don't understand all this pressure to join, especially on First Year students. Fraternities pressure as well. I don't think Greeks realize what this kind of pressure does to people. If they did, I'm sure they would not put pressure on people the way they do. It's really an abuse of power. Our Westminster culture is permeated by Greek life and in a sense, like it or not, defines "in" and "out" (That's the power, because a lot of folks want to be "in"). So if you are a membership-driven Greek you have power over First Year Student "Wannabees," who haven't really had the time to make an informed decision. They are at a disadvantage because of their lack of knowledge and experience, and you are taking advantage of their vulnerability by moving into that void with pressure to join. Give folks the time and space to see for themselves what they want to do. Give them

a chance to see what WC is all about and how they want to fit into the culture here. Please stop and think about whether you may be victimizing First Year students.

That being said, I want to get back to the criteria issue. When my daughter was in high school, there was the Homecoming Queen voting. She and her Feminist friends started a movement called N.O.T.A., which stands for: "None Of The Above." Their issue was, again, the criterion for choosing the homecoming queen. In their eyes the measure for the choice was based on traits that are rather superficial. They got in trouble for their efforts, because N.O.T.A. wasn't an officially approved organization. However, I was very proud that she took a stand on this, and thought these N.O.T.A. girls had their heads screwed on right. And they were able to make their point. What is your criterion for inclusion and exclusion?

Actually, in all honesty, we all automatically think this way to certain extent, because we are programmed by our culture. We've internalized a belief that says pretty and thin are better. Not to think that way, takes a conscious effort, and an intentional determination. How do you like to be evaluated? If you were to sit down and make a list of what you would want people to take into consideration when they were about to make an assessment of you as an individual, what would be on that list? Do the same for others!



# FEATURE

## We are the people in your neighborhood

This week featuring: Richard Ashley Webb and Donald Hall Howard

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR

**Name:** Richard Ashley Webb  
**Hometown:** Kinsman, OH  
**Nickname:** "Ashley" "Ash" "Chicken-Legs"  
**Year at WC:** 4th, but 5th year Senior  
**Major:** English  
**Pet Peeve:** "Capri pants and armpit stains."

**SB:** What was the last dream you had?

**Ash:** It had to do with a big lizard. I think it was a Kimono dragon. And it was, like, attacking me in my house.

**SB:** Name 3 adjectives to describe yourself.

**Ash:** Sarcastic, laid-back, and paranoid.

**SB:** In reference to the famous cartoon, Tom and Jerry, would you rather be Tom or Jerry? Why?

**Ash:** I'd definitely be Jerry. I guess it's because I love teasing, taunting, and surprising people.

**SB:** If you could be a vegetable, what would you be?

**Ash:** I'd probably be a carrot-good eyesight and fiber.

**SB:** What song most clearly defines you? Explanation, please?

**Ash:** Black Sabbath's "Paranoia." And that's basically the explanation-the title-I'm paranoid.

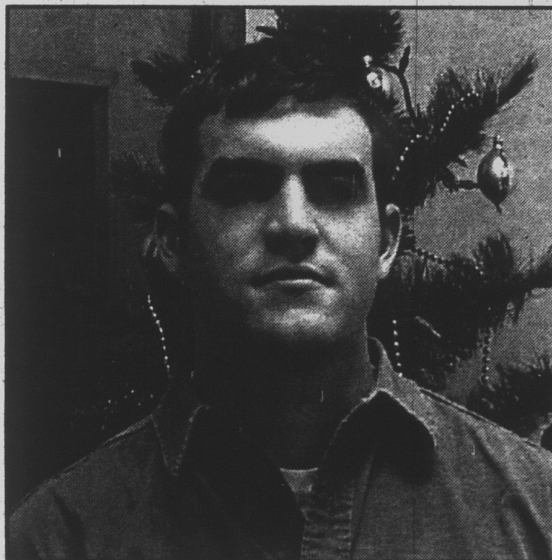


Photo by Sara Bozich

Ashley Webb

**Name:** Donald Hall Howard  
**Hometown:** New Castle, PA  
**Nickname:** "Don" "...I've had a few..."  
**Year at WC:** 17th  
**Department:** Duplicating  
**Pet Peeve:** "Late people who think their work is more important than someone else's."

**SB:** What was the last dream you had?

**Don:** I can't recall any of my last dreams that are PG-13.

**SB:** Name 3 adjectives to describe yourself.

**Don:** Devilish, fun loving, and carefree.

**SB:** In reference to the famous cartoon, Tom and Jerry, would you rather be Tom or Jerry? Why?

**Don:** I'd be Jerry because he has more fun.

**SB:** If you could be a vegetable, what would you be?

**Don:** Probably a pepper 'cause I could be sweet or hot.

**SB:** What song most clearly defines you? Explanation, please.

**Don:** "The Wanderer" because he's just carefree and easygoing...just good times.

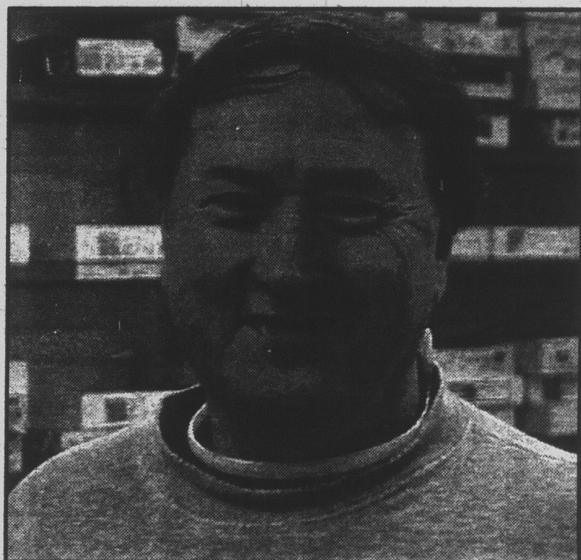


Photo by Sara Bozich

Donald Hall Howard

## Friends forever or just for now

By Sara Bozich  
STAFF WRITER

It seems the school year has barely begun, and yet already we've reached Homecoming weekend.

Now I am old. Every year friends reappear for this weekend. They party like they're still in college, but Monday morning they will return to their jobs and homes and our school year will continue on.

Homecoming this year will have a bit more of an effect on me. All those close friends I lost with last year's graduation will visit and I will realize...next year it will be me.

Is graduation that close? It is. Am I ready for the real world? I'm not so sure.

Some friends will continue on to graduate school, some will find jobs, and some will be married. Yet I can remember freshman year so clearly-I was so young. At that time I knew no alumni. Now I know so many, so many that last year seemed no older than myself. And the way time flies, I will soon be one of them. Has so much changed in that time? Where will I be?

I think sometimes that it is normal to forget childhood friends and college buddies upon graduation, moving, and getting a real job. Yet, when I heard two of my senior friends say, "No, we're going to..." in reference to a graduate school, I thought it was so cool that they wanted to continue their education together at whatever institution they eventually decided on. My dreams of the future have never included those around me, aside from visits at weddings, Homecomings and semi-annual brunches discussing our spouses and children.

We all seem so close here, and of course considering our living situations, we can't help but be.

When I was younger, I thought my friendships would last forever. Of course, as times change, most do not withstand the circumstances. I thought my college friendships would be the ones that lasted the rest of my life, but it's hard to tell what the future will hold as our jobs and loves take us to locations further from one another.

Life at Westminster College makes us forget that we each have our own life. We are thrown together, sometimes haphazardly, in small living quarters, on a small campus, in a small town. After a time it seems we belong together.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

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REVIEWS

BRING  
IT ON

Beth Staley

*Bring It On* parodies and glorifies cheerleading as Torrance Shipman (Kristen Dunst) finally earns the title of captain on the San Diego Toros Cheerleading Squad; however, she assumes the position more like a CEO (Cheerleading Energy Official, maybe?) than a high school senior. Her suit is a short skirt and sports bra, her briefcase a gym-bag full of pompoms as she runs cheerleading meetings, try-outs or practices and plays phone tag with important but spirited colleagues. While practicing for Nationals, Torrance learns that the Toros have a routine that was bootlegged by their former captain from the East Compton Clovers, an inner city squad. Thus, while dealing with the angry Clovers, she must play pompom politics and convince the Toros to create a new routine in less than three weeks. In order to focus, Torrance needs to lose her superstition that dropping the "Spirit-Stick" at cheering camp cursed her.

Helping her to overcome more than superstition is Torrance's new friend Missy Pantone (Eliza Dushku), a transfer student. Together they take cheerleading to new levels. Torrance starts at the bottom by hiring a hilarious but oppressive choreographer who refers to cheerleading as "dancing gone retarded." After paying for a routine he also taught to six other squads, Torrance takes matters into her own clapping hands. As "cheerator" of the "cheerocracy", she adds ballroom dancing, karate, mime, musical theatre, interpretive dance and other influences to the squad's mastery of gymnastic skills. *Bring It On* features the talents of choreographer Anne Fletcher and cheerleading choreographer Ray Jasper in order to fully convey the many aspects contributing to the sport of cheerleading.

Cheering for the success of *Bring It On*, is director Peyton Reed; he presents *Bring It On* as the Clueless of cheerleading. Torrance's efforts to help the Toros, the East Compton Clovers, the new girl Missy and even Missy's brother Cliff mirror the philanthropic efforts of Cher (Alicia Silverstone) of *Clueless*. Kirsten Dunst glows on the screen with grace, goofiness and gumption claiming her sport to be more of a calling than an extra curricular athletic activity. As Isis, captain of the Clovers, Gabrielle Union mixes the right dose of aggression and sportsmanship to combat and compliment Torrance. Finally, Jesse Bradford plays Cliff, Missy's guitar-jamming brother, with a mysterious, flirty edge that drives Torrance wild. Their most romantic scene takes place in the bathroom, but they're only brushing their teeth. The PG-13 rating exists mostly due to the "Britney-style" lack of clothing and occasional verbal slip.

The charm of these young actors redeems the unchallenging characters they portray. *Bring It On* doesn't bring a lot on the screen, but it does bring the viewer back to high school with some quality puns. The rivalry between the Clovers and the Toros, the rivalry between the male cheerleaders and the losing football team and the rivalry between the teenage girls with make-up and curls is amusing. If you're a die-hard cheerleading fan or you need to bond with a younger sister, go see *Bring It On*; otherwise, rent it on a night when nothing else is on.

Joseph Stamper

*Bring It On* stunk it up. *Bring It On* is the latest Hollywood attempt to capture the teenage experience. Again we venture into a realm of horny, stuck-up suburban teenagers but this time the premise is cheerleading.

San Diego's Rancho Carmel High School's Fighting Toro cheerleading squad is a fifth-time national champ. Cheerleader extraordinaire, Torrance Shipman (Kristen Dunst), is set to take over as captain of the squad, when a new member notices that the team's routines are stolen from a Compton inner-city squad. Now the Toros need to come up with new cheers and malevolent ghetto girls at East Compton High School want revenge on the poor helpless suburbanites.

Sound pointless enough?

Stamper's Four-Corner Breakdown

Date Movie- 5

Comedies almost always make great date movies because they lighten the mood. If I had taken a date to this movie she would have wondered how old I was. One of the factors that make the movie bearable is the aesthetically pleasing young female stars, and that has date debacle written all over it. In other words a true player would avoid this flick at all costs.

Special FX- 7

There are no real car crashes or bomb explosions, but the cheerleading tournament scenes were exciting.

Star Power- 6

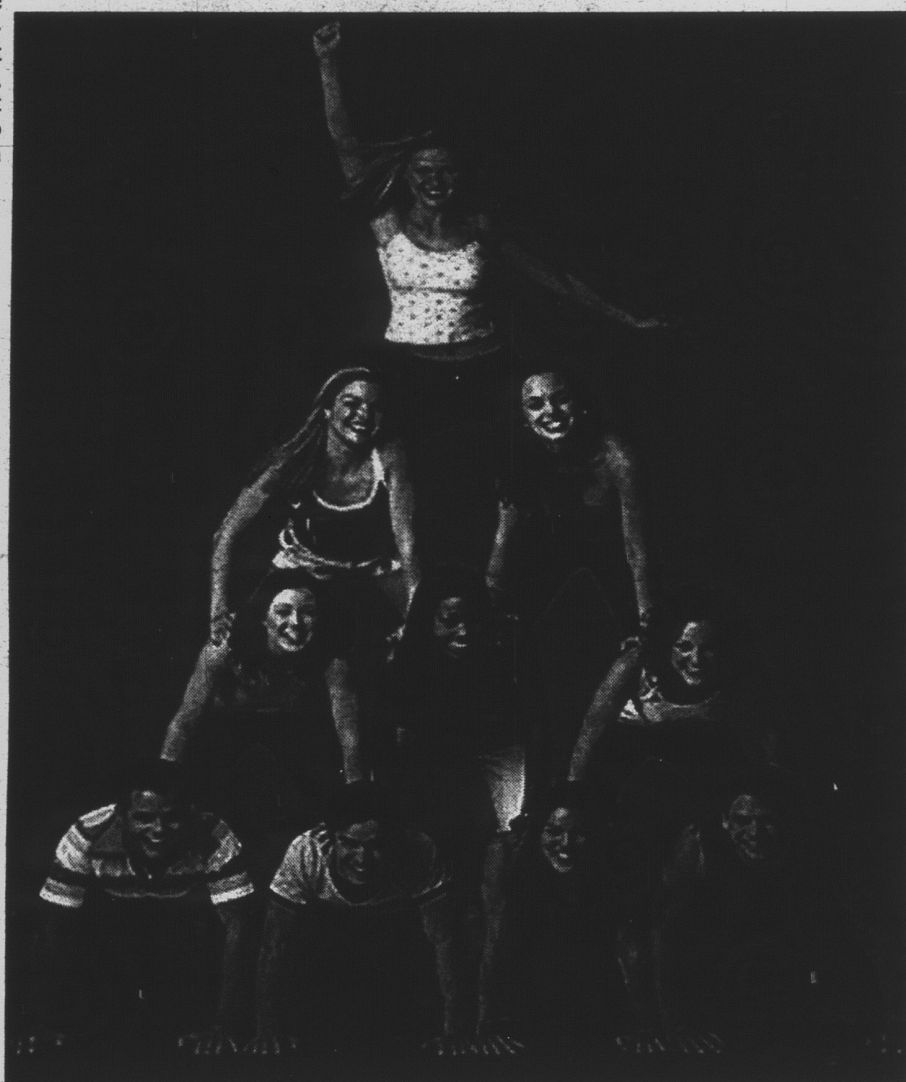
Eliza Dushku of "Buffy, the Vampire Slayer," and a host of other young quality actors who deserve parts in more meaningful movies, play teeny-boppers and show their assets in this film. R&B group Blaque also appeared in this flick. The group should stick to their vocals because acting isn't their strong point.

Plot- 5

"Oh, this movie had a plot?" There are some socially redeeming aspects to this film, but not enough to justify its production. And I must admit a film about competitive cheerleading was fairly original. The addition of one serious element may have saved this picture, but no such luck.

Overall- Not Worth Seeing

Unless you are a 14-year-old female who has always dreamed of being a cheerleader, avoid this flick. At times this PG-13 movie will make you laugh, mainly because you will be shocked at what you can get away with in a movie targeted at young people. Sexual innuendos dominate the humor in this flick. If you want to see a funny movie, save five bucks and go see the *Kings of Comedy* at the dollar-fifty movies.



## Elephant Pub & Castle features delicious, low cost food

By Kendra McClymonds  
A&E EDITOR

Stained glass, polished brass, wrought iron railing...no, it's not a church, it's the Elephant Pub & Castle Inn at the Prime Outlets in Grove City. This English pub/restaurant is relatively new to our area as its only been open since January 20, 2000.

According to General Manager Tanya Malarkey, The Elephant & Castle Inn is a restaurant and motel chain in Canada, but this one, owned by Eric Lindh, is the first franchised, free-standing establishment in the United States.

Not only is this a new place to eat and drink within Westminster's vicinity, it offers a pleasing, friendly atmosphere and some really great food as well. Here's something that should be music to a college student's ears: the Elephant's tasty dishes don't cost half a semester's worth of tuition.

This past Saturday for example, the specials (which were both delicious!) featured a Honey Mustard Chicken Wrap or a BBQ Beef and Swiss sandwich both served with a side of creamy broccoli pasta. How much did one of these filling meals cost? \$4.99! Yep, that's all, and it was as good, if not better than any ten-dollar dish at Rachael's.

The other menu items did cost a little more than the daily specials, but all sounded equally fulfilling. Most of these items have their "roots firmly planted in traditional English fare, with items such as Guinness Irish Stew and Chicken Pot Pie." There are also over 50 different varieties of beers from all over the world featured at the very Cheers-like bar in the front of the restaurant.

The amazingly hospitable servers were seen carrying trays loaded with a variety of fresh sandwiches, all served with "chips" which were of course, French fries instead of potato chips. Completing the English motif, a bottle of malt vinegar is available at every

table allowing customers to flavor their "chips" the old-fashioned way.

Finally, for the few warm days that may remain, there is outdoor dining available near the entrance. Also, for any parents who may visit from out of town, remind them of the twelve rooms available at the Castle Inn adjacent to the Pub.

To learn about additional menu items, hours of operation, or to make reservations, call (724) 748-1010. This cool new place to eat, drink or just hang out after shopping at the outlets is highly recommended because, as their slogan states, it's "Where You Can Eat for Peanuts."

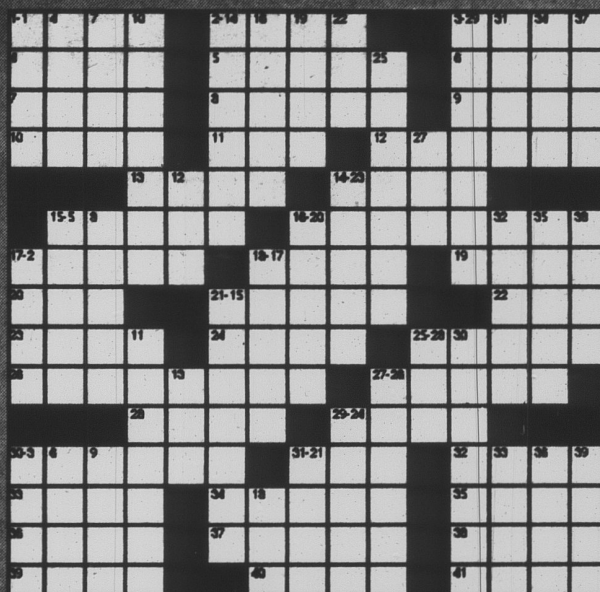


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- 3- Deities
- 4- Verge
- 5- Pelletize
- 6- Hip bones
- 7- Standard
- 8- Palm like
- 9- Daily fare of food
- 10- Endure
- 11- Evening
- 12- Knotty
- 13- Foretell
- 14- Having aches
- 15- Pertaining to the moon
- 16- Pertaining to a theme
- 17- Queues
- 18- Extent of space
- 19- Heap
- 20- And so on
- 21- Pert. to Asia
- 22- Help
- 23- Enclose in paper
- 24- Storage shelter
- 25- Caravansary
- 26- Gone
- 27- Dish of raw vegetables
- 28- Jolts
- 29- Class
- 30- Italian sausage
- 31- Sister
- 32- Star of the first magnitude
- 33- Fruit
- 34- Distributed cards
- 35- Having wings
- 36- Very small quantity
- 37- Ignore
- 38- Tense
- 39- Golf mounds
- 40- As previously given
- 41- Finishes

## Down

- 1- Set right
- 2- Obscene
- 3- Expectorate
- 4- Scent
- 5- Volume measure
- 6- Drug-yielding plant
- 7- Barbarous person
- 8- Remove a cap
- 9- Stringed instrument
- 10- Domain
- 11- Nightclothes
- 12- Step in ballet
- 13- Male sheep
- 14- Become visible
- 15- Straddling
- 16- Long for
- 17- Remains of a fire
- 18- Biblical high priest
- 19- Egypt's river
- 20- Reliable
- 21- Stated
- 22- Tree
- 23- In front
- 24- Diacritic
- 25- Sharp-sighted
- 26- Method
- 27- Unit of electrical resistance
- 28- Plant juice
- 29- Command to a horse
- 30- Lift up
- 31- Potpourri
- 32- Ornamental coronet
- 33- Dash
- 34- Ceases living
- 35- Greek epic poem
- 36- Showy trinket
- 37- Surfeit
- 38- Basic monetary unit of Ghana
- 39- Skills



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## HOROSCOPES



## ARIES

You may have felt alone lately, but you'll soon realize you have a lot of support. Others will listen if you address the matter seriously. Take the time to avoid misunderstandings, lay down the groundwork and listen to questions.

## TAURUS

Rumors or secrets revealed may leave an unpleasant taste in your mouth. If you don't, prepare to deal with the consequences of your involvement in someone else's problem. It may drive you to take chances that you normally wouldn't even consider.

## GEMINI

New light will find its way into a dark corner of your life. Your strong constitution and popularity could turn your life into a perpetual celebration. If you try to conserve your energy early in the week, you'll be able to enjoy the weekend.

## CANCER

The behavior of others should not be your concern. You cannot take on the burden of other's actions. What is more important, now, is how you use your own power.

## LEO

Things have been a little too predictable lately. Look out! If someone seems irritable, allow him or her to blow off steam. Don't hold it against them. The wisdom and compassion of your experience could be a big help.

## VIRGO

Plans for the future proceed with renewed optimism. Old friends, associates will offer their support. Take them up on it. Try to suspend your old prejudices.

## LIBRA

Amuse yourself with things you understand. Romance at this time may not bring the satisfaction you desire. You may be temporarily distracted by problems that someone else creates.

## SCORPIO

Communicate with those who support your values. Lead the way by simply doing what you do best. A deep conversation could change your life. This is a time of opening doors and windows.

## SAGITTARIUS

The only reason why you aren't further ahead is that you have not been honest with yourself. Sudden changes involving relatives and peers may surprise you.

## CAPRICORN

Reconnecting with your centered self is important. If you are concerned about your health, you should address those concerns. You are in the company of people who think the world of you.

## AQUARIUS

This week is highlighted by public relations, personal relationships and finding a happy balance between them. Your best work is within a group of close-knit associates, especially when there's a high-minded ideal involved.

## PISCES

You should try to join forces with those who understand your love for challenges and for projects that seem out of reach to others. It may be time for you to recognize the talent or skills of a partner or mate.



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# OPINION

## Rant and Rave

"What's with those cross country guys? Every week they get faster and better looking!"

"They need to empty the trash by the TUB door more often so the bees don't bug us."

"I liked the Question of the Week because it gave us something to think about."

"Listen to 89 FM!"

"Inquiry class is the worst. We're not learning anything."

"The salad dressing ladels in the cafeteria need labels on them."

"[I wish everyone would just] Mind your own flipping business."

"I wish people would wash their hands after using the restroom. I have to touch everything you touch. When you don't wash your hands it makes my handwashing obsolete. Please have a little common courtesy for the rest of the world."

"It's funny the classes that I've complained about the most... Who am I? and Christian Ethics are the ones I learned to most appreciate."

"It takes the mailroom two weeks to put things from the little metal mail bin to my little metal mail box."

"I hate it when people stand and talk in front of the mailboxes. They block the way for everyone else."

Rants and Raves may be phoned in to the Holcad at EXT 7224 or sent via email at holcad@westminster.edu

## OUR VIEW: USING MCGILL

In most movies that take place on college campuses, the classical scene of a student in a library is portrayed. It's funny though, if a camera crew were to come to this campus, the library is definitely not where they'd find students.

Though hundreds upon hundreds of books line the walls of McGill, only a few are touched and even less leave the premise. Fewer and fewer students choose the library to study; choosing instead to read in their rooms or in the TUB where activity around them helps them concentrate in some mysterious way.

Now, there are those that venture through the heavy doors and into one of the most captivating buildings on campus, but most are there to use the computer lab or to gossip with a friend working the front desk.

It's ironic though. Students pay over \$20,000 because they want an education meaning they want to learn by choice. In fact, we are all paying quite a large sum for an education. Yet, the building with the most concentrated and diverse source of knowledge goes untouched.

It seems students have an awful lot of time on their hands and very few are using it to research much of anything, at least from books. Yet, the college brags of high graduation rates, which require at least a 'C' average in a major. Somewhere in the middle there is an unknown.

Is it that Westminster recruits students that are so bright they don't need to use the educational facilities provided? Or maybe it's that professors are giving fewer research papers to students.

Whatever the reason, the library goes untouched. It could be attributed to the fact that more and more students are doing their research via the Internet; disregarding professors warnings that not all the information on the Net is accurate.

No matter what the reason, the college needs to develop a way to use McGill more effectively. The solution, though complicated, needs to be examined.

First of all, faculty are the only persons involved in the selection of new books added to the library. Though that is important and critical for classes, the students are still paying for the facility and should be able to have a say in at least some of the books included.

Also, the Fresh Start library introduction program seems to be becoming more lax. Some freshmen are foggy as to where McGill is. The first year students need to be thoroughly introduced to the facility and not just by a person lecturing on what is included. Professors should make sure that students are learning to use the library resources and should encourage exploration of what's available.

Most importantly, the students need remember that though they personally might not be paying their tuition, they should still want to get their money's worth. This includes getting all they can from whatever

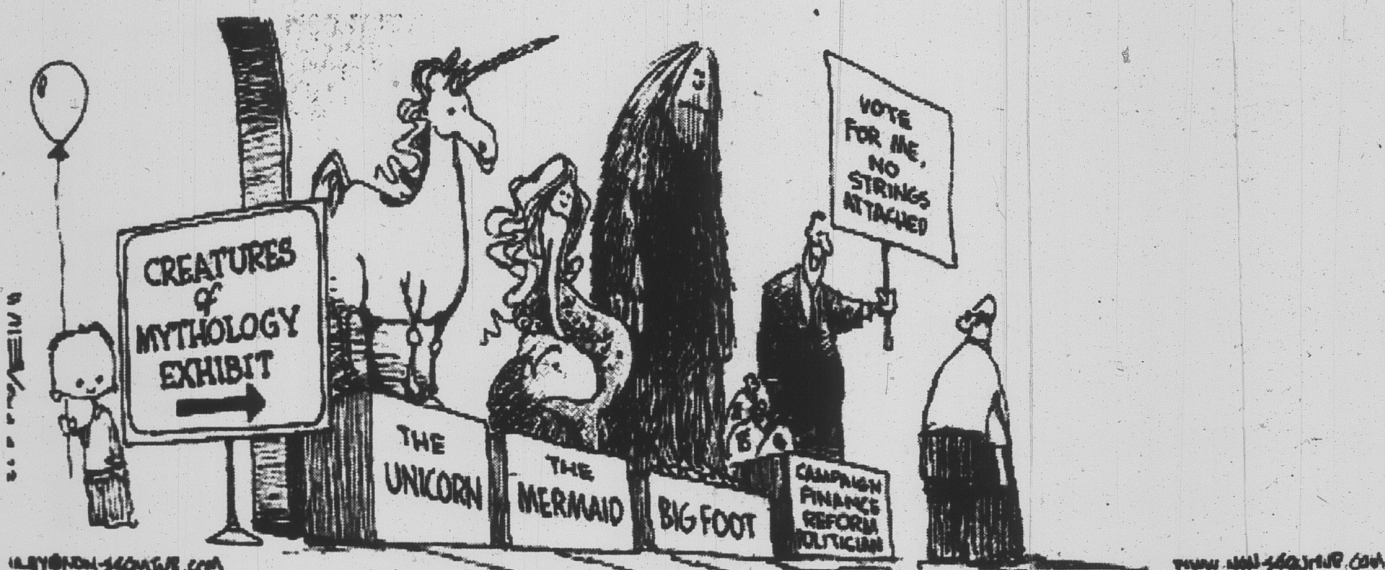
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is available.

One would hope students would want to learn as much as they possibly could, at least about their field of study. Though some swear osmosis processes are the only good thing books are for, it just seems to be a matter of encouraging college students, just like grade schoolers, to have the desire to learn.

Whatever the solution and whatever action is taken, it needs to be realized that no matter what interest provokes reading, there will be a book to fulfill the desire. It's just a matter of getting to the library and actually opening a book.

## — Editorial Cartoon —



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Staff Editorial  
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(U-WIRE) EAST LANSING, Mich. — Third-party presidential candidates should have been included in Tuesday night's debate and in future debates.

Pat Buchanan of the Reform Party and the Green Party's Ralph Nader were excluded from participating by the Commission on Presidential Debates, a commission set up to regulate the debate process.

According to the commission, a candidate must have a theoretical chance of winning the election and must have a national support rate of roughly 15 percent. Nader has a rate of about 5 percent and Buchanan has about 1 percent.

Fifteen percent is too lofty a goal and polls are not the most important factor in determining the effect a candidate can have on an election. Both candidates have established a large enough support base to deserve inclusion.

The Reform Party received more than 5 percent of the votes in the last presidential election, and through federal matching funds policy, it received \$12.5 million in taxpayer dollars for campaign use.

Citizens have the right to see where their tax dollars are going. If the government sees the Reform Party deserving of financial support, it should have the chance to deliver its message to voters.

Nader's support rate of 5 percent may seem insubstantial when compared to the rates of front-runners Vice President Al Gore and Texas Gov. George W. Bush, but the rate represents a large enough group of supporters. These supporters should not be ignored and neither should their candidate.

Nader may not have a theoretical chance to win the election, but Nader does have the power to sway the election. In some states, Nader may receive enough votes to take a state away from Gore, and many Gore supporters fear that votes for Nader will put Bush in the White House. A similar situation occurred in the 1992 election, in which many feel Ross Perot gave Bill Clinton the election.

If a candidate has the power to potentially change the outcome of the election, he deserves inclusion in the debate. The power of third-party candidates is not always shown in the numbers.

A debate should spark thought and conversation between politicians and the American public. Third-party candidates offer a fresh perspective by focusing on issues that major-party candidates often ignore. If they were included in the debates, voters could find out the opinions of both Gore and Bush on issues they tend to sweep under the rug.

Many Americans are interested in moving away from the current two-party system. Nader and Buchanan both cited a recent poll in which 64 percent said they wanted to see all four candidates included in the debate. More young Americans might vote if they could see all their options.

Our country prides itself on the notion that anyone can be president, but only candidates with enough money to use the media in their campaign can earn 15 percent of the vote.

Voters have the right to be informed of all their options, and Nader and Buchanan have the right to a spot behind the podium.

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phone calls and then two weeks later, they more than doubled that to ten. Issues that have been brought up so far include insect problems, roommate problems, RA problems and the problem of high gasoline prices. They hope that the unwillingness of people to call in will subside as time goes on. "If people have something to complain about, they should call us!"

Grubbs is the "guest in residence" as well as the "program manager." When asked by Nave to help him on the show, he jumped at the chance. He has always wanted to do something like this, admitting that as a child he used to run around with a microphone and tape recorder. He enjoys the show, saying that it gives him a chance to take his mind off the day's stress.

While they want people to take the show seriously, Nave and Grubbs have a lot of fun with it. They play an eclectic range of music, do a few parodies and report news that probably isn't the latest breaking headlines, but rather satirical stories written just for laughs.

Nave and Grubbs both enjoy working together to keep the show running smoothly. "I only get nervous when things go wrong," Nave said. And according to the responses they've received from students, they're doing a good job. "I think they sound very professional and they make me laugh," said junior computer science major Paul Fleischman.

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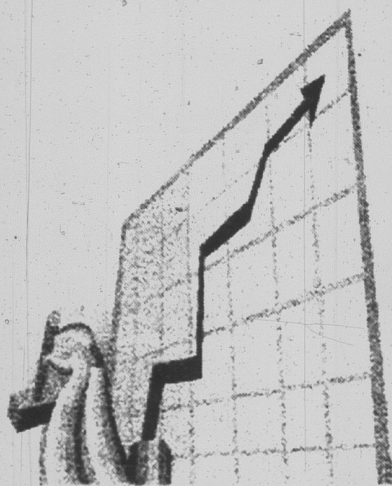
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11:40 a.m. Chapel  
4:00 p.m. Men's Soccer vs. Medaille (H)  
7:30 and 10:30 p.m. Inquiry Movie: Contact — Down Under

## SATURDAY 7

### HOMEcoming AND REUNION WEEKEND

Cross Country @ Mount Union  
9:00 a.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Founders Day - Sig Ep House  
10:00 a.m. Phi Mu Alumni Brunch - Down Under  
1:00 p.m. Women's Soccer @ Bethany  
1:30 p.m. Football vs. Bethany (H)  
5:00 p.m. Volleyball vs. Grove City (H)  
7:00 p.m. Mass  
9:00 p.m. CPC Presents: Life in General (Band) - Down Under

## SUNDAY 8

### HOMEcoming AND REUNION WEEKEND

3:00 p.m. Orchestra Concert - Orr Auditorium  
6:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Meeting - Sig Ep House  
6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting - Theta Chi House  
6:15 p.m. IFC Meeting — Location TBA  
7:00 p.m. Vespers - Chapel  
8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230  
9:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

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### COLUMBUS DAY OBSERVED

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LLP Block II Classes Begin This Week  
Sigma Phi Epsilon Balanced Man Scholarship Interviews - Sig Ep House  
8:30 - 1:30 p.m. Phi Mu Raffle Ticket Sales — TUB Grille  
11:40 a.m. Chapel  
5:30 p.m. Panhel Meeting - TUB A/B  
6:00 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112/113  
6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - TUB A/B  
6:30 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall

6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116  
7:00 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311/312  
9:15 p.m. Lambda Sigma Meeting — TUB A/B

## TUESDAY 10

### Jeans Day

Sigma Phi Epsilon Balanced Man Scholarship Interviews - Sig Ep House  
8:30 - 1:30 p.m. Phi Mu Raffle Ticket Sales — TUB Grille  
9:30 a.m. CCO Staff Meeting — Down Under  
Noon Campus Club Luncheon - Oak Tree Country Club  
12:30 p.m. Golf @ Allegheny Invitational  
3:30 p.m. Women's Tennis @ Penn State-Behrend  
4:00 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Thiel (H)  
5:45 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Designing Web Pages — PH 214  
6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting — PH 231  
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6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
7:00 p.m. Liberty Mutual Presentation — TUB A/B

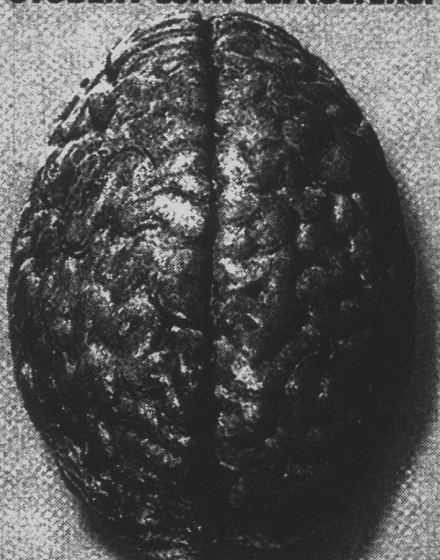
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4:00 p.m. Men's Soccer vs. Daemen (H)  
6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B  
8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - Down Under

## THURSDAY 12

Sigma Phi Epsilon Balanced Man Scholarship Interviews - Sig Ep House  
11:00 a.m. Support Staff Meeting - TUB A/B  
2:00 p.m. Curriculum Development Committee Meeting — TUB A/B  
4:30 p.m. Student Publications Board Meeting — Old Main 308  
5:30 p.m. Phi Sigma Tau Meeting — PH 116  
6:30 p.m. Volleyball @ Waynesburg  
6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
7:00 p.m. Kappa Delta Pi Interview Forum - TUB A/B  
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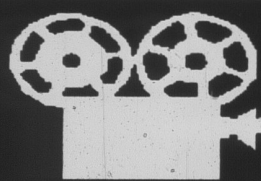
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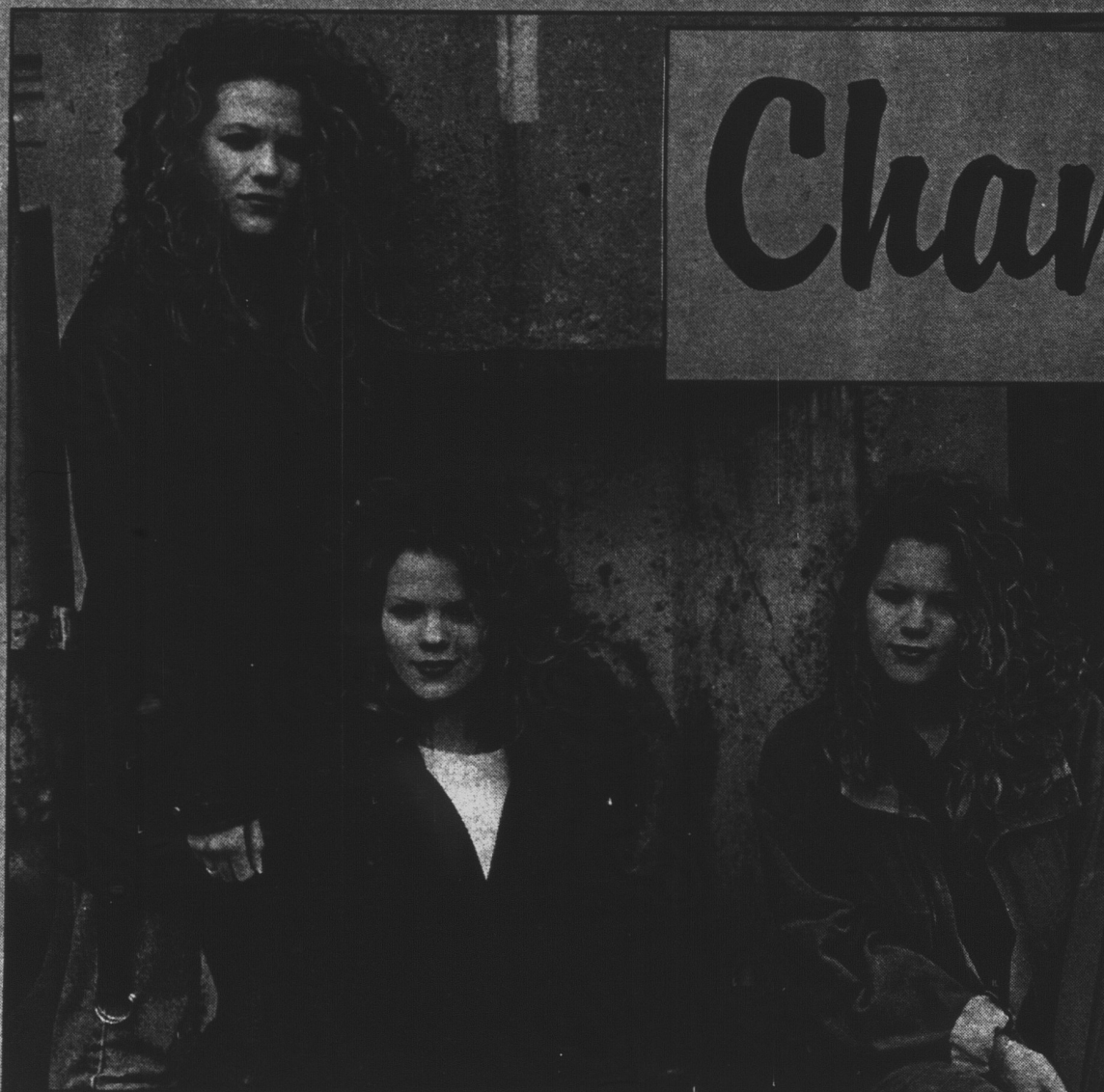
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## Homecoming brings campus to life



Photo by Courtney Behm  
Jaime Freund and Dan DiDesiderio were crowned Queen and King during half time of the Homecoming game.

By Tara Crawford  
STAFF WRITER

Activities filled the campus this past weekend. Games, fun and football added to the Homecoming excitement. Alumni were also invited to return to campus to participate in reunions and dinners.

Starting off the weekend, SGA held its annual pep rally in the quad on Friday afternoon. The activities included a powder puff football game, a three-legged race, a water balloon toss, introduction of fall sports teams and the kiss the pig contest.

Winners of the three-legged race and the water balloon toss were awarded with gift certificates to Pizza Joes. The junior team won powder puff football.

Both Coach Klamut and Dean Lechner were the faculty members chosen to kiss the pig. Students of SGA raised \$138 to be donated to the American Cancer Society through the contest.

The Titan Swim Teams won the SGA sponsored contest of the most spirited organization.

"The pep rally went really well. I am glad

that so many people came out to support the school," Anne Poland, SGA representative and rally organizer said. "It is one of the better pep rallies in years."

Also part of the pep rally were the introductions of the fall sports teams. Although most teams were not present because of practice or games, these teams were still recognized. Those recognized include football, cross-country, volleyball, men's and women's soccer, women's tennis, cheerleaders and the Titanettes.

The Homecoming candidates were also introduced. The candidates for queen were Kylene Adams, Sigma Kappa; Jaime Freund, Zeta Tau Alpha; Corrine Gaglia, Phi Mu; Andrea Majot, Kappa Delta; Pamela McCalmont, Independent and Lindsey Yankle, Alpha Gamma Delta. The candidates for king were Dan DiDesiderio, Alpha Sigma Phi; Jason Gabany, Theta Chi; Beau McElfresh, Sigma Phi Epsilon; Ryan Oman, Sigma Nu; Greg Robinson, Independent and Kevin Webb, Phi Kappa Tau.

On Saturday morning, the streets were

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## Titans victorious over Bethany, 24-14

By B. J. Mathieu  
STAFF WRITER

The Titans gave alumni quite a show as they defeated the Bethany Bisons 24-14 in a suspenseful game that captivated all in attendance Oct. 7.

The victory improved Westminster's record to 4-1 overall and 2-0 in the PAC. Bethany drops to 4-2 overall, and 0-2 against PAC opponents.

The game started out slow and progressed to an exciting finish. While the Titans and Bisons deadlocked to hold each other scoreless in the first quarter, momen-

tum was gathering nonetheless. Senior co-captain and outside linebacker Don Augustine had three interceptions.

Coach Jerry Schmitt complimented Augustine saying he has "been a real steady player, and he rose to the occasion today."

The Westminster defense came out strong against the Bison offense in the first quarter, holding them to one first down, 37 rushing yards and just six passing yards.

The Titan offense didn't do as well in the first quarter, however. The offense was held to only three first downs, 15 rushing yards and 53 passing yards.

"It took the offense some time to get

going, but they pulled through at the end," Augustine said.

The game picked up in the second quarter with the Titans scoring first. Westminster punted to Bethany, and the Bethany player fumbled. The Titan special teams recovered the fumble at the Bethany 30-yard line.

Titan offense found themselves on the Bethany 26-yard line with fourth down and 19 to go after fifth-year senior

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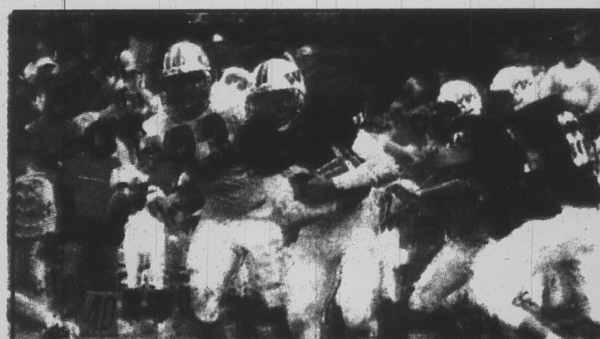


Photo by Courtney Behm

CSenior tailback John Ciavarra carries the ball upfield. He led the Titans in rushing with 73 yards on 32 carries.

Non-stop ski trip  
down Everest

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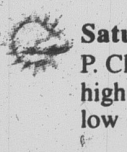
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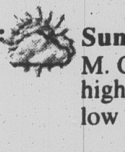
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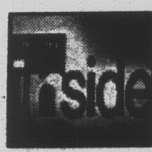
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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Campus Center ground breaking on schedule for May



Photo by Aly Karg

The Campus Center will include an improved mail room and bookstore. It will also house a food court.

By Jodi Russo  
STAFF WRITER

Ground breaking ceremonies for the new Campus Center will begin in May. The building is expected to be finished a year and a half later.

"We are still receiving information from the architects. There is a lot of information going back and forth between the architects and us, but everything is on track," Dean of Student Affairs Neal Edman said.

The new Campus Center will include a food court, computer access stations, meeting and multipurpose rooms. The Career Center, Student Affairs Office, Mailroom and Bookstore will also be in the new campus center. In addition to their relocation, there will also be differences in the Mailroom and Bookstore's setup. The mailroom will be much bigger and the bookstore will be two stories.

"The flow of the mail traffic will be greatly improved, due to the fact that the mailroom is going to be bigger, the mailboxes are also going to be bigger," Debbie White, mailroom supervisor said. "It is also nice that the mail-

room and bookstore are staying by the food court because that is a convenience for the students."

A few students have voiced their opinions concerning what they would like to see in the new Campus Center. "I would like to see a restaurant and café in the new building," sophomore Nikki Beaver said.

"I think there should be a fast food restaurant and arcade in the student center," sophomore Erika Hink said.

Upperclassmen have some differing opinions. Danielle Perfetti and Corrine Gaglia both said they would like to see more meeting and study rooms.

"It's hard to have meetings and study in the top of the TUB lounge, there is always something going on up there," Perfetti said.

Both students, however, agreed that the campus building will be great in the long run, though they both thought that now is not the best time for it.

"I think it's somewhat offbeat because there are so many other things that need fixed on campus such as Hoyt," Gaglia said.

There will be a presentation-Oct. 14 to the Board of Trustees about the Campus Center.

## Phonathon hopes to reach 40 percent alumni participation

By Jessica Vituccio  
STAFF WRITER

The Phonathon team has begun contacting alumni for donations to the Westminster Fund. These phone calls are not only about asking for money though.

The 19 team members also ask questions about these former students' lives to update alumni records. Questions asked to update alumni records include each person's number of children and spouse's occupations. Most of this information has not been updated in several years.

Development Assistant and supervisor to the Phonathon team, Merianne McGill, feels the contact with alumni is an important part of the team's job.

"Sometimes these calls are the only contact alumni have with the college and most alumni enjoy talking with the students," McGill said.

After asking these questions of the alumni, the team members proceed to ask for a donation of any size. Most alumni give some money. Every donation helps the College as

the percentage of donations and participation often determines whether or not the College will receive larger grants from foundations and corporations.

The Phonathon has been in operation for the past 11 years, and participation has increased every year. Beginning in the 1992-1993 school year with only 38 percent participation, the phonathon has now reached a 42 percent participation level. The goal for this year is a 42.2 percent, which will probably be reached.

Some alumni respond negatively, but rarely are they rude to the callers. A junior team member, Beth Chupak, has only experienced one rude possible donor.

"She said 'I know you're calling for money and I don't want to be disturbed now,'" Chupak said.

The Phonathon also offers different levels of membership clubs donors will be placed in for giving specified amounts. The Century Club requires a donation of between \$100 up to \$249, and the highest level, 1852 Leadership Club, requires a donation of \$10,000 or more.

The alumni are given the option of directing their donation to a specific department or even a specific building, which is sometimes an important aspect in the donor's decision process.

The Phonathon generally raises about \$100,000 a year from alumni participation. This is an impressive number for any type of phone solicitation and something the campus should be proud of, notes McGill.

"Westminster College is ranked in the top ten nationally for alumni participation," McGill said.

The Phonathon obviously plays an important role on campus. Alumni are needed for the success of any college, so please remember to give back whenever possible.



Photo by Courtney Behm

Junior Beau McElfresh jokes with an alumnae while raising money during the annual Phonathon while a fellow fundraiser records a donation.

## Four-year honors program proposal considered for implementation

By Jacquelyn Selznick  
STAFF WRITER

A proposal for a four-year honors program is currently being reviewed for approval. The new system would accept students into the college's honors program directly out of high school. Acceptance would be based on academic achievement in high school, and possibly on an essay written by the prospective student. The exact criteria has not yet been determined.

History professor, Dr. Russell Martin, and biology professor, Dr. Ann E. Throckmorton have written an 18-page proposal based on information and input gathered after five professors met for three consecutive eight hour days to discuss the new program.

Several committees must accept the proposal for approval. Academic Standards Committee, Curriculum Development Committee and Council of Chairs Committee have already read the proposal.

"So far there has been an overwhelmingly good response and amazing feedback coming from the reviews," Throckmorton said.

Faculty Personnel is the next group to review the program, followed by the Floor of Faculty and finally the Board of Trustees.

"We are already tweaking the proposal based on input we have received from the committees, and are determined to make more changes as time goes on," Martin said. "We are very eager to hear what we can do to make it better."

Many other colleges and universities

already have a four-year honors program. "By implementing a similar program on this campus, our students will be better prepared for enrollment into graduate and medical schools. This program is just one of many things we are doing on this campus to make a Westminster College degree better," Martin said.

Another goal of the program is to build a sense of community between honors students. "The students will get to know each other well, and form strong ties to each other," Throckmorton said.

There is a possibility that they will convert one of the college owned houses into an honors house. The house would provide a place for the honors students to meet, study, or just hang out.

"My hope is to make a culture where it is cool to do well in school," Martin said. Current honor student and psychology major, Jessica Torrick, believes that while the proposal has benefits, there may also be some flaws. "Students coming out of high school would be weighted differently due to different high school curriculums and grading scales. Entrance into the honors program should be based on success at Westminster," Torrick said.

Senior history major Nate Carlin sees things differently. "The program would give students the opportunity to take college seriously right out of high school," Carlin said.

Martin and Throckmorton hope to have an open meeting for all faculty soon, as well as another open meeting for interested students in November.



# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Carlow celebrates Sisters of Mercy with plaques

By Bill Schackner  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

Anyone who's taken a class at Carlow College or simply stopped to ask for directions on campus has probably heard one or more of the names.

Dougherty. McAuley. Grace. Aquinas. Curran. Tiernan. Warde. Aidan.

They are, after all, prominent campus buildings, weathered brick and recognizable to the generations of students and workers who spent part of their lives at the small, mostly women's, Catholic college in Oakland.

What's less recognizable, even to those who use those buildings daily, are the stories of the women for whom the structures are named. Many haven't heard about the sacrifices these Sisters of Mercy made or about the devotion to helping the daughters of Pittsburgh's working families that inspired the school's founding 71 years ago.

That could begin to change tomorrow, when plaques honoring the eight women and their contributions to the campus are unveiled

at a reception as part of homecoming weekend.

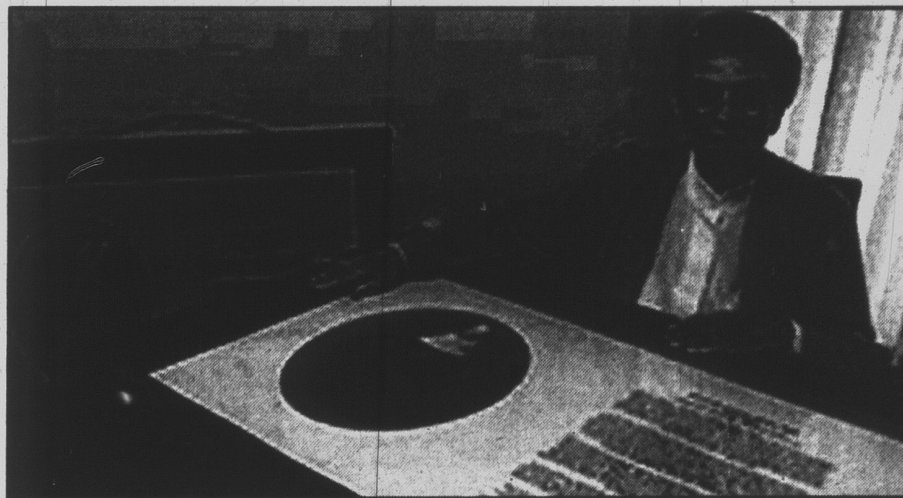
Most of the mahogany-framed plaques will be hung inside the buildings that bear the women's names. It's a way for Carlow to salute its "original women of spirit," said Sister Grace Ann Geibel, president of the college.

Writings on the plaques recount the women's talents, their choices, their struggles and their tragedies.

"Some came from privilege. Some came from very poor backgrounds," said Patrick Joyce, a college administrator who along with campus archivist Sister Patricia Hodge spent six months tracing the women's lives through books, files and articles.

"They all wanted to serve the poor and the uneducated and make a difference," Joyce said. "That was the common thread."

The project, which cost about \$5,000 and is being paid for through donations, is something Carlow has wanted to do for several years since the idea was raised on campus by Sister Sheila Carney, said Joyce, vice president for college advancement.



AP File Photo

One of Carlow college's current professors and a Sister of Mercy displays one of the plaques is memorial of women that made an impact on their campus.

The plaques will be displayed at a reception on campus that caps a weekend in which the school also is honoring its present-day

"Women of Spirit." The program recognizes women whose lives reflect the school's mission.

### University of Pittsburgh senior charged with homicide by arson

(U-WIRE) PITTSBURGH — University of Pittsburgh senior Matthew Kaguyutan was arrested and charged with homicide Thursday for allegedly setting the blaze that killed senior Joseph Marcinek on Sept. 29.

According to city police, 23-year-old Kaguyutan set the fire because of his obsession with a woman living inside the apartment building at 409 N. Craig St., about a block from Kaguyutan's 330 N. Craig St. residence.

Police said Kaguyutan dated the woman for several months, and that they believe he may have been stalking her since their breakup. As a result of the current homicide charges, police now believe Kaguyutan may have been involved in another fire at a different apartment his ex-girlfriend was living in a few months ago.

The fire Sept. 29 started in a sitting room on the second floor — the same floor the

woman occupied — just one floor below Marcinek's bedroom. Eight other people escaped without injury.

Pitt has declared Kaguyutan a "persona non grata," which bars him from any University property or facility for the time being, according to spokesman Ken Service.

Service said the measure was taken not as a presupposition of guilt, but rather "out of concern for the rest of the students."

Depending on the outcome of his criminal charges, the University reserves the right to reinstate or expel Kaguyutan.

Service also said that Pitt's judicial board may investigate the case after the criminal system has finished.

Kaguyutan is being held without bail in the Allegheny County Jail pending the results of a coroner's report on Oct. 20.

### All New Terrors by the Lake created by Art Institute students

By Adrian McCoy  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

Director George Romero's name is no longer on the annual Terrors by the Lake haunted house, but a new generation of creepy effects designers is keeping things jumping.

The rooms in this year's All New Terrors By The Lake were dreamed up and executed by students at the Art Institute of Pittsburgh. The students, mostly industrial design majors, sat down and brainstormed about what scares people. Then they drew designs and worked with other students to build the effects. Now their work is decorating a series of creepy chambers at this popular North Park Halloween attraction.

Each room has a different visual theme — including skeletons, gargoyles, a morgue, a train room and a "slime room."

Whether or not these kids land a job on the next Tim Burton movie or end up designing cars, the experience is helpful. Bill Farrell, an Art Institute instructor who supervised the haunted house, said projects like this are important because of the out-of-classroom learning experience they provide. "They're

learning how to apply what they've learned, and how to work in a real working environment."

So what's the recipe for scaring people, besides polyfoam and fog machines? It's all in the timing, says Omar Sfreddo, an industrial design graduate of Art Institute who has done a lot of work on this year's Terrors by the Lake, and has also worked on several haunted houses of his own in years past. "As they're going down the line, all of a sudden there's stuff they don't expect," he says.

This is one of several special community projects Art Institute students get involved in. The designs are also part of a competition. The first-place winner will get \$1,000, and second-place, \$500.

Like many of the hair-raising Halloween attractions around town, Terrors by the Lake is also raising money for a good cause. Along with its sister haunted house, Phantoms in the Park in South Park, Terrors by the Lake raises money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Last year, together they raised more than \$185,000, and are hoping to top the \$1 million mark for money raised since they started eight years ago.

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## NATIONAL

# Boy Scouts lose public funding over exclusion of gays



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Boy Scouts are currently under fire for the anti-homosexual ruling.

By Laura Parker and Guillermo Garcia  
USA TODAY

September was not kind to the Boy Scouts of South Florida. The Scouts lost nearly \$530,000 in public money and charitable aid as one local government after another voted to end relations with the group because it excludes gay people.

"It's sort of been the domino effect," says Jeffrie Herrmann, a scouting official who saw Broward County, the cities of Miami Beach, Wilton Manors and Fort Lauderdale, and then Broward County's United Way sever ties with his organization.

Now Herrmann, who heads the South Florida Council of the Boy Scouts of America, is bracing for the next domino to fall. It could be a big one: The Broward public schools, the nation's fifth-largest district, might ban the Scouts from meeting and recruiting new members in schools, shutting down a key membership pipeline for the group.

More than three months after the U.S.

Supreme Court ruled that the Boy Scouts of America has a constitutional right to exclude gays as members and troop leaders, the backlash rippling across South Florida also is sweeping the country. As it builds, it is raising questions about the future of a group that has long been a part of Americana.

For 90 years, the Scouts had discouraged homosexuality by operating under a code that encourages members to be "morally straight." But to an increasing number of civic and government leaders, the Supreme Court's ruling was a landmark that cast the Scouts as a symbol of discrimination - and transformed a relatively benign community asset into a ticklish political problem.

Now, civic leaders from New York City to Eugene, Ore., are examining local anti-discrimination laws and policies to see whether they apply to the Boy Scouts. In many cases, often to their dismay, they are finding that they do.

In Arizona, the cities of Tucson and Tempe are preparing to end their publicly funded backing of Scout troops there. The state of

Connecticut has dropped the Boy Scouts from a list of charities to which state employees can contribute through payroll deductions. And in San Diego, the American Civil Liberties Union filed suit in August to try to stop the city from renting 18 acres of parkland to the Scouts for \$1 a year.

Charities also are rethinking their relationships with the Scouts. United Way's 1,400 chapters contribute more than \$8.7 million to the Scouts. But eight chapters, including San Francisco, adopted anti-discrimination policies that changed their funding relationship with the Scouts before the Supreme Court ruled. Since then, another 16 chapters have ended or reduced their donations, or shifted them to the Scouts' Learning for Life program, a scholastic initiative that does not require members to take the Scouts' oath.

The loss of support so far has not had much effect on the Boy Scouts of America's network of local troops. Membership nationally remains robust at 6.2 million members, and Scout leaders say the fall recruitment drive has been as strong as ever.

## Ecstasy knockoff kills nine teens in suburbs of America

By Donna Leinwand  
USA TODAY

A dangerous knockoff of the club drug Ecstasy is popping up in suburbs of major U.S. cities, where it has been blamed in the recent deaths of nine young adults and teenagers.

The Drug Enforcement Administration and U.S. Customs are warning that dealers are passing off the amphetamine PMA (paramethoxyamphetamine) as Ecstasy, a less potent stimulant and hallucinogen that is popular at clubs rave parties and college campuses.

"The problem is, you can't tell the difference looking at them," DEA intelligence chief Steven Casteel says. "Kids don't know what they're taking. And now it's spread to Middle America."

PMA, developed in the 1970s as a synthetic "designer drug," was declared a controlled substance by the federal government in 1973, and by the next year had fallen out of vogue among youths after two people died while using it. Since then, no deaths had been attributed to PMA until May, when three suburban Chicago youths died after taking the drug.

"Clearly, this is even more harmful than Ecstasy," Customs spokesman Dean Boyd says. Ecstasy, a stimulant with roots in the club and rave culture, that also is potentially fatal, has become popular among some high school and college students in recent years. Now, patches of PMA are sneaking into the mix.

Steve Lorenz, 17, died May 7 in McHenry, Ill., after taking PMA, which he thought was Ecstasy. A week later, Sara Aeschlimann, 18,

of Naperville, Ill., overdosed after taking several PMA pills while watching movies with a friend. On May 27, Jason Burnett, 20, of Lisle, Ill., died after taking the drug along with cocaine and heroin, investigators have said.

Since July, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement has attributed six deaths to PMA. Five of those occurred in Orlando suburbs.

The DEA has tracked PMA in Michigan, Virginia and Canada. Authorities in Germany, one of the countries known as a source for club drugs, recently shut down two labs that produced PMA, Customs officials say.

"It appears to be the same people who are putting out Ecstasy," Casteel says. DEA investigations have led to other labs in central Europe, he says.

Known on the street as "Death" or "Mitsubishi Double-Stack," a 50-mg PMA pill induces a high similar to that of Ecstasy by increasing the pulse rate and blood pressure and by giving the user a feeling of well-being. But larger doses can cause irregular heartbeats, heart attacks, breathing difficulty, kidney failure, convulsions, coma and death.

Death generally occurs when body temperatures rise so high that the central nervous system shuts down, Casteel says. Although the pills often are stamped with the logo used by the corporate giant Mitsubishi, there is no connection between the two, officials say.

"Kids and parents should know that Ecstasy and these designer drugs are designed to make money," Casteel says. "There is no quality control in this business. They are not safe. They are not feel-good drugs. Unfortunately, there are (nine) people buried today because of this drug."

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## INTERNATIONAL

## West Bank and Gaza Strip violence claims 88 lives

JERUSALEM (AP) - Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak said Tuesday it was too soon to tell if the violence in the West Bank and Gaza Strip was coming to an end, but he said if it was, Israel would act accordingly.

His statement came hours after he announced he was giving his Palestinian counterpart more time to quell raging violence that has killed 88 people in the region over 12 days. Violence continued in some spots Tuesday: Hospital officials in Gaza said a 12-year-old Palestinian boy was critically wounded by a live bullet to the head in the town of Rafah, and about 200 Palestinians threw stones and firebombs at Israeli troops near the West Bank town of Ramallah. The soldiers responded with rubber-coated steel bullets and tear gas.

While the day's incidents represented a falling-off from the most intense of the clashes last week, Barak said after meeting U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan that it was still too early to say whether the violence was significantly ebbing.

"If this is the start of a change, we will act accordingly," he said.

Annan, who is trying to reconcile Palestinian demands for an international inquiry with Israel's reluctance to accept one, called it a period of "delicate and acute diplomacy." The secretary-general also said that although he had not been able to see a trio of Israeli soldiers captured by Hezbollah guerrillas on the Lebanese border, he believed they were alive and well.

Barak's decision to push back a deadline for ending the violence, and his stated willingness to attend a U.S.-sponsored peace summit if one is arranged, came after two phone calls from President Clinton, Israel's army radio reported.

The Israeli leader said he made the decision after weighing the possibility of a prolonged armed conflict. A Palestinian uprising against Israel in 1987 lasted six years and ended with the first, historic peace accord in 1993 with the PLO.

The sides were discussing - through third parties - a Palestinian demand that Israel agree to allow an international commission to investigate the events. Most of the dead have been Palestinians, and the Palestinians say Israel

has used excessive firepower. Nabil Shaath, a top aide to Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, said a U.N. envoy was delivering a letter to the Israelis listing countries the Palestinians would accept on such a commission.

Barak appeared readier to compromise, telling Israeli radio he would accept an inquiry "under the authority and responsibility of the United States." Previously, he had said he would only consider submitting Israeli findings to the Americans for review.

"We will give a chance to those efforts," Deputy Defense Minister Ephraim Sneh said on CBS' "Early Show" on Tuesday. "But the necessary, necessary, indispensable condition is that Arafat issue an order to his troops, to his mili-



Masked militia storm through the West bank. Officials in Israel are saying it's too early to predict the end.

tias, to his armed political movement - a clear order: Stop the violence now."

## Slovenian ski instructor conquers Mount Everest on a pair of skis

KATMANDU, Nepal (AP) - A Slovenian ski instructor has become the first person ever to ski nonstop down the steep slopes of Mount Everest, the world's highest mountain, mountaineering authorities said Monday.

It took Davor Karnicar, 38, of Jezersko, Slovenia, five hours on Saturday to ski from Everest's 29,035-foot summit to its base camp, which is at 17,500 feet. He took only a few breaks and never removed his skis, according to the Nepal Ministry of Tourism.

"It is something that was in my head for a long time," Karnicar said in an interview posted on his Web site. He said he did it without getting frostbite.

Karnicar had a camera attached on his helmet, capturing images of him maneuvering down the snowy slopes of Everest, which is an icy grave for nearly 200 climbers, who fell to their deaths.

His first attempt to ski the slopes of Everest, in 1996, was thwarted by a snowstorm.

Meanwhile, the ministry said that Andrej Markovic of Ljubljana, Slovenia, died Friday



The special camera on Davor Karnicar captured his trip down Mount Everest

when he slipped and fell at least 3,300 feet while attempting to climb Janak Himal mountain.

In another accident, a Sherpa guide identified as Tshulim Gylzen, 35, was swept away by an avalanche on Oct. 2, while climbing the 26,950-foot Mount Dhaulagiri with a Japanese expedition. His body has not been found.

Alferov of Russia, Herbert Kroemer, a German-born American and Jack Kilby of Texas won the Nobel Prize in physics Tuesday. Alferov of the A.F. Ioffe Physico-Technical Institute in St. Petersburg, Russia, and Kroemer of the University of California at Santa Barbara will share half the \$915,000 prize for their work in developing technology used in satellite communications, cellular phones and bar code readers. Kilby of Texas Instruments will get the other half for his part in the invention and development of the integrated circuits and as a co-inventor of the pocket calculator.

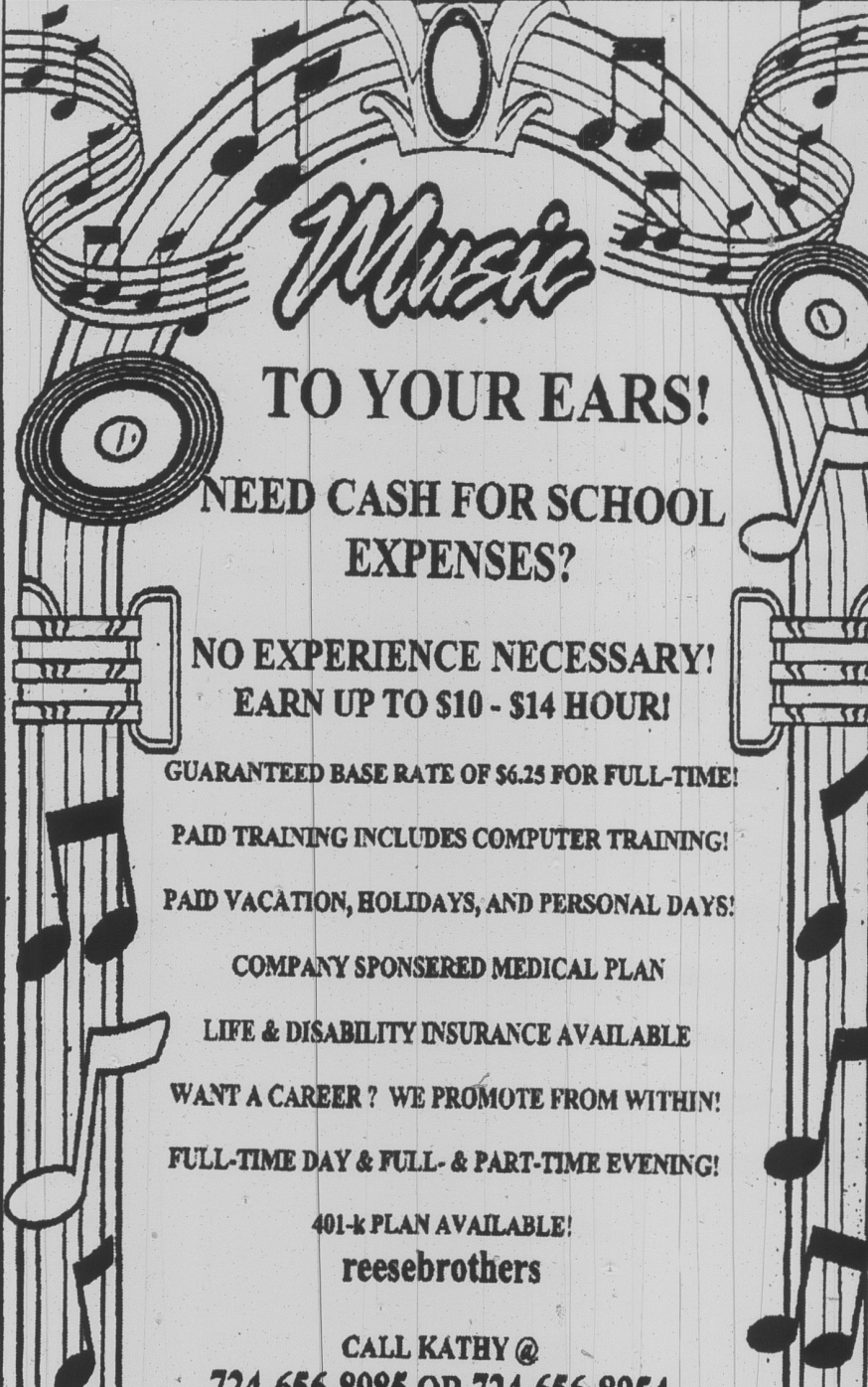
## International Briefs

## Former prime minister dies

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka - Sirimavo Bandaranaike, the world's first female prime minister, died of a heart attack Tuesday. Bandaranaike retired from the Sri Lankan prime minister post at age 84 last month. She became the first woman elected to head any nation in 1960, four years after her husband was assassinated while holding that position.

## Three scientists share physics Nobel Prize

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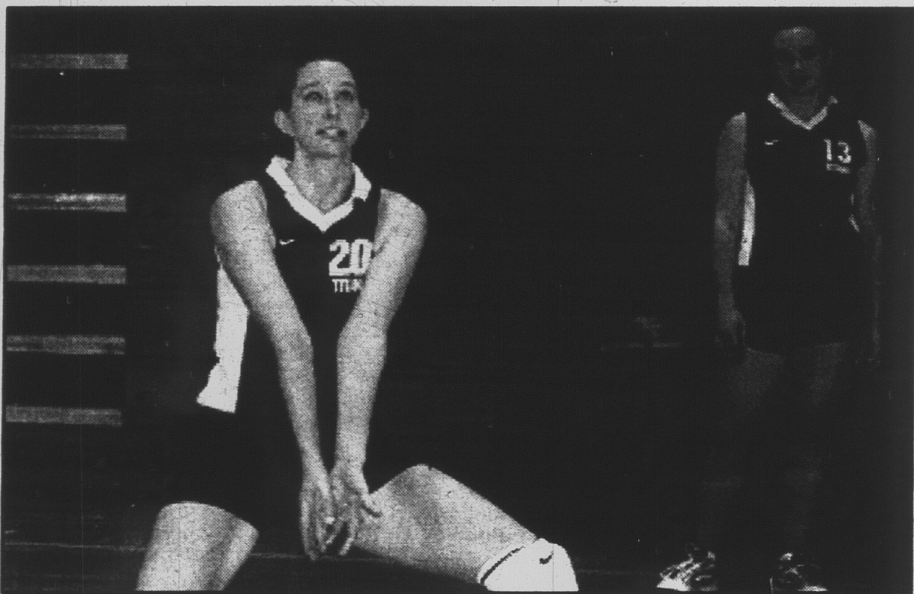
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# SPORTS

## Volleyball remains undefeated in PAC



Sophomore Suzanne Fitz steps back to dig a ball in a pregame warmup drill while senior Brooke Engles waits her turn.

By Nick D'Antonio  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan volleyball team remains undefeated in the PAC with wins over Washington and Jefferson, Bethany and Grove City. The Lady Titans improved their record to 6-0 in the conference and 18-7 overall. They have won nine of their last 10 games.

"Even though we can't make the playoffs, we still want to remain undefeated in the con-

ference," senior captain Andrea Cronie said.

The Lady Titans swept Grove City in a 55-minute match at home Oct. 7. The spikers dominated 15-7, 15-4 and 15-8. Prior to walking into Buzz Ridl Gymnasium, Grove City was undefeated in the conference. Senior Brooke Engles posted 12 kills in the match. Junior Meredith Etcher and sophomore Suzanne Fitz each had nine kills. Etcher also had 11 digs. Sophomore Carolee Reed added

28 assists and four solo blocks.

"Grove City always gives us a good game. I'm very pleased that we beat them in 55 minutes," Head Coach Tammy Swearingen said. It was Westminster's first game in under an hour this year.

The Lady Titans swept Bethany 15-5, 15-4, 15-8 at home Oct. 5. Etcher and sophomore Katie Spehar each posted nine kills, followed by Fitz with eight. Reed added 25 assists and freshman Jessica Young added 10. Etcher had eight digs, while Spehar had 5 solo blocks. Freshman McKenzie Crowell recorded three service aces. This match was just slightly over an hour long.

The Lady Titans beat W & J in a four-set match 11-15, 15-4, 15-4 and 15-0 at W&J Oct. 3.

"We lost the first game but then we played as a team and won the match," Fitz said.

Engles led the team with 14 kills, while Spehar added 11. Junior Shannon Simmons and Fitz each recorded 10 kills. Engles had 16 digs and Spehar had four solo blocks. Reed set a team best at 45 assists. Simmons posted four service aces in the win for Westminster.

Engles broke her left hand during the match, but continued to play. She is one of four players who have been injured during the season. Cronie is done for the season with a knee injury. Sophomore Monica Asher had a high ankle sprain and freshman Lindsay Simmons has been redshirted due to a foot problem.

"I'm real happy with the turnouts this week," Swearingen said. "I felt the team played strong."

## Student-Athlete Advisory Council

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

"The mission of the National Collegiate Athletic Association Student-Athlete Advisory Committee is to enhance the total student-athlete experience by promoting opportunity, protecting student-athlete welfare and fostering a positive student-athlete image." This is the mission statement of the Student-Athlete Advisory Council (SAAC), a group of representatives from each varsity team, that meets once a month to discuss athlete-oriented events and ideas. The SAAC is often not recognized among the teams.

"We serve as a liaison between the general student-athlete body and the administration. We are like the student council of the field house," said senior president Jamie Reddinger.

The purpose of the SAAC is to promote effective communication between the athletic department, the administration and student-athletes. A concern or question raised by a varsity team member about anything related to the college or its facilities should be taken to the SAAC representative of the team. He or she will then bring the concern to the meeting where it will be addressed to other representatives, the athletic director (Coach James Dafler) or the administration. Discussions of improvements are considered at each meeting and improvements are quickly made when possible.

Another goal for the SAAC is to encourage more involvement of athletes on campus and in community service projects. Last year, the Alcohol Screening Day that all athletes were required to participate in was sponsored by the SAAC. Also, the Special Olympics swimming and basketball volunteers are obtained through the committee. The SAAC is divided into three committees - public relations, educational programming and community service. Public relations is in charge of informing the campus community about events and programs and gaining support for our program. Educational programming deals with events such as the Alcohol Screening Day and they try to educate student athletes on issues that pertain to them. Lastly, community service looks for opportunities to provide service options for athletes and students.

The membership of the council consists of one voting member from each varsity team. Each member should serve as a bridge between the team and the administration. Any concerns or ideas for the SAAC should be directed towards a member (listed below).

"I think in years past, the SAAC hasn't been too actively recognized on campus but they have always been involved in programming and the behind the scenes stuff. Hopefully, once our name gets out people will help us to help them," said Reddinger.

Andrew Rudloff (men's soccer), Cristy Laudadio (women's soccer), Anne Muir (women's tennis), Jake Gleason (men's cross country), Kelly Schmidt (women's cross country), Jim McGovern (golf), Meredith Etcher (volleyball), Ryan Oman (men's basketball), Teale Ganster (women's basketball), Kelly Vernal (women's swimming), Brian Lytle (men's swimming), Robert Thompson (baseball), Jamie Reddinger (softball), Tammy Swearingen (assistant athletic director) and James Dafler (athletic director). Football representative to be determined.

## Women take fifth; men take second at Mt. Union

By David Field  
STAFF WRITER

The women's cross-country team finished fifth in a three-way tie with Muskingum and Mount Union. Nine teams competed at the Mount Union Invitational Oct. 7. Senior captain Jen Bennett placed 10th followed by junior Desiree Henry in 16th. Sophomore Lydia Humenycky took 24th.

Head coach Gary Lilly felt that the team ran strong, considering the weather conditions.

"Our four and five runners were having trouble breathing with the cold weather," Lilly said. "If we didn't experience this trouble we could have got fourth and beaten Geneva."

"We all ran well but it was cold and

muddy," Henry said.

"A couple of the runners had colds and weren't feeling good," Humenycky said. "If we were at our best we would have placed much better."

"The competition was tough," Lilly said. "Both our men and women runners ran against some fast teams."

Junior Jacob Gleason finished first as the men's cross-country team placed second out of six teams. Mount Union won by 13 points.

"We ran well under the weather conditions but we need to put that behind us and focus on our upcoming meets," senior captain Travis Gatesman said.

Gleason pulled out of a 20-yard deficit at the end of the race and pushed ahead to win by 50 yards. Freshman Tim Snyder finished second for the Titans, placing 10th overall.

Sophomore Dan Beckwith followed in the 17th spot overall.

Assistant chemistry professor Timothy Sherwood coached the team this weekend in place of head coach Ron Galbreath, who was unable to attend the meet.

"My job was to go for moral support," he said. "I was amazed how the guys did due to the windy, cold and wet weather conditions they had."

"Morale was a little bit low with coach gone, but we managed to compete well with tough runners in a challenging environment," junior Andy Chiapusio said.

After this meet the overall record for the men's cross-country team's record now stands at 34-5, just three wins shy of Galbreath reaching .500 in his cross-country career.

## Men's soccer team shuts out Medaille, 10-0

By Desiree Henry  
STAFF WRITER

The men's soccer team improved to 8-2-1 for the season, shutting out Medaille 10-0 on Oct. 6.

The Titans broke a school record, remaining unbeaten in their last nine games.

Westminster scored four goals in the first half, three of which came within the first ten minutes. They scored another six in the second half.

"We opened up the game well and Medaille lost their confidence early," Head Coach Girish Thakar said.

Junior goalie James Houser made three saves in the first half while senior goalie Ryan

Plocinik tallied one save in the second half.

The starting squad played only the first 15 minutes of each half, leaving the remainder of the team plenty of playing time.

"It was an easy way to start off the Homecoming weekend," senior Ryan Mathieu said. "This gave the younger players a chance to gain some experience."

Senior Matt Nichols said that it was a great win, but it was not what the team needed coming off of a huge victory from Geneva.

"This game brought our play down a little because Medaille wasn't as competitive as some other schools, such as Geneva," Nichols said.

Freshman Matthew Roser led the team in scoring with two goals. Senior Derek

Baumgartner, sophomores Tony Arrigo, Carl Baldwin, Todd Fleckenstein, James Green, Kevin Humberston and Pasquale Reino and freshman Todd Fisher each scored in the shutout.

Sophomore B.J. Mathieu and freshman Brian Glass had two assists each. Baumgartner, Green, Houser, Reino and sophomore Nicholas D'Antonio also had assists in the win.

Thakar said that he believes the team is doing well, playing hard regardless of who the competition is.

"We have had a couple of easy games but in the harder games, we are also winning," Thakar said. "All around, we have a great team."



## Women's soccer have outscored opposition 42-2 for the season

By John Hanlon  
STAFF WRITER

The women's soccer team improved its record to 7-6 overall and 6-0 in the PAC with two conference wins against Waynesburg and Bethany Oct. 2 and 7, respectively. In their six conference games, the Lady Titans have outscored the opposition 42-2.

The Lady Titans trounced Bethany 9-1, but faced a frustrating win against Waynesburg, 4-0.

Head coach Tom Keller was pleased with his team's performance, even though they face a challenging task with some of the strategies of PAC competition.

"The teams in the PAC are using a style of defense called packing it in," Keller said. "They don't play offense. They just try to keep the ball away from us. This gets to be very frustrating."

Against Waynesburg, junior striker Ashley Pyle had two goals and an assist.

"It wasn't a very exciting game," Ashley said. "The first goal I scored was off of a corner kick. The second was a through ball played by (sophomore) Ashley Tonks. She

did the hard part by finding me. All I had to do was place the ball in the net."

Junior Stacy Tempalski and sophomore Tammy Newell also had goals against Waynesburg, while Tonks and freshman Alyssa Pyle added assists.

Junior goalkeeper Sarah Morrison tallied her fifth shutout of the season with three saves, for her 13th career shutout.

"One of our team goals this year is to let none of the conference teams score on us," Morrison said. "So far, we have succeeded in doing this with one exception- a penalty kick in the last game against Bethany. Provided we stay focused defensively for the remainder of the season, we should be racking up a few more shutouts."

In the victory over Bethany, Ashley Pyle scored a hat trick, bringing her week totals to five goals and an assist.

"Ashley is the type of kid that you give her enough chances, she will burn you," Keller said.

Sophomore forward Katie Krone had two goals and two assists. Sophomore Cristy Laudadio and freshmen Pyle, Erin Chittock and Danielle White scored single goals.

The Lady Titans out-shot Bethany 37-3 in



Photo by Aly Karg

Junior Heidi Vogt defends the Titans goal. The Lady Titans are undefeated in the PAC.

a dominating performance.

"The game against Bethany was not very competitive," Morrison said. "We had the opportunity to work on our weakness in order

to prepare for the tougher competition coming near the end of the season."

The Lady Titans travel to Grove City Oct. 14.

## Lady Titans capture second place in PAC with record of 6-3

By Garry Gates  
STAFF WRITER

The Lady Titan tennis team fell to 6-3 on the season in a 9-0 non-conference loss to Slippery Rock Oct. 4.

Despite the loss, head coach S. Kipley Haas is satisfied with the way her team played against the PAC opponent.

"We schedule them every year because they are such good competition for us," Haas said. "We always play well against them."

The team is also pleased with their showing.

"We played a good match, but Slippery Rock is a very tough team," junior Shannon Haines said. "We're happy with the way we

played against such a strong team." Haines is the fifth singles and second doubles player.

Injuries have plagued the Lady Titans all season, and this match was no exception.

First singles player, sophomore Anne Muir, had to forfeit her match to The Rock's Jess Bungo because of pain in her right shoulder and wrist. She is expected to undergo surgery at the end of the season.

Elsewhere in singles play, Westminster's number two player, senior Ellen Johnson, was defeated 3-6, 3-6 by Slippery Rock's Allison Morse.

Sophomore Suzanne Leyden fell 2-6, 1-6 to Mirja Schmidt at three singles.

Fourth singles player, junior Brenda Rowland, was defeated 0-6, 0-6 by Lindsey Pullan.

At the number five spot, Haines lost to Amanda Willoughby 0-6, 1-6; and Kim Cain defeated freshman Carra Dixon 4-6, 1-6 to complete The Rock's sweep of the Lady Titans in singles play.

In an exhibition singles match, freshman Megan Medvick was defeated 3-8 in an eight-game pro-set.

In doubles action, the number one team of Muir and Leyden fell to Bungo and Schmidt 0-8.

At number two doubles Rowland and Haines lost to Pullan and Morse 4-8, respectively.

Finally, the third doubles team of sophomore Molly Householder and Dixon were defeated by Willoughby and Julie Kessler of Slippery Rock, 0-8.

Slippery Rock improved to 4-6 on the season.

Haas feels that the Lady Titans overall season went well.

"My personal goal coming out of the GLIAC was to have a .500 season and we will do that," Haas said.

Standing at 6-3, 5-1 in the PAC, the Lady Titan tennis team will finish with the second best conference record behind Grove City.

Six wins mark the Lady Titans most wins in a season since 1996, when they posted a 7-2 record.

Westminster was scheduled to play at Hiram College Oct. 5; however, this match was canceled due to inclement weather and will not be made up.

## from FBALL page one



Photo by Courtney Behm

Sophomore Brandon Apple, and seniors John Dunlap and Matt Martin glance at the camera after completing one of the Titans' many great plays.

quarterback James Graham completed passes to senior wide receivers Brian Lipiello and Joe Ruck, despite a few losses of yardage.

With 5:33 remaining in the half, Graham connected with Ruck for a 26-yard touchdown. The extra point was good and the Titans took a 7-0 lead.

Schmitt was not concerned about his offense's slow start.

"I told them to keep their heads and keep working hard," Schmitt said.

After a disappointing offensive run for Bethany, the Bison's punter punted 71 yards and pinned the Titans on their own four-yard line.

Westminster could do little to help themselves and had to punt after three plays. But the Bison special teams came up big by blocking the punt and recovering the ball in the end zone for a touchdown, which, with an extra point, tied the score, 7-7.

The Titans made a good run at the end of the half, but an interception denied any hopes of scoring again before half time. The score remained tied.

The third quarter began like the first two quarters. Each team used their three downs and had to punt. Senior inside linebacker

Eric Witt intercepted a pass in the first five minutes of the quarter, but the Titans didn't make a move until about seven minutes left in the third.

Westminster had the ball at their own 4-yard line. Senior tailback John Ciavarra fumbled and the Bison defense took the ball in for a touchdown, taking the lead, 14-7.

Augustine recorded his second interception of the game late in the third quarter, setting up a Jon McCartney field goal in the first play of the fourth quarter.

Both teams seemed evenly matched until the seven-minute mark. Graham hit Lipiello on a 30-yard touchdown pass for a 17-14 lead. Bethany never recovered.

The Bethany offense tried to make a run late in the fourth quarter, but a third and final interception by Augustine and a 15-yard touchdown run by Ciavarra with 2:23 left in the game killed Bethany's hopes.

Schmitt was happy with the win. "Since it was homecoming, it was important to win," he said.

Augustine stressed the defense's effort in the win.

"The defense played real well. Everyone stepped up to the challenge," Augustine said. The Titans travel to Thiel Oct. 14.



# HOMECOMING

## WINNERS

### FOOTBALL GAME

WESTMINSTER VS  
BETHANY 24-14

### HOMECOMING KING

DAN DIDESIDARIO

### HOMECOMING QUEEN

JAMIE FREUND

### FLOATS

1ST PRIZE - \$150 -

KAPPA DELTA,  
SIGMA KAPPA

2ND PRIZE - \$125 -

PHI MU

3RD PRIZE - \$100 -

ZETA TAU ALPHA

4TH PRIZE - \$75 -

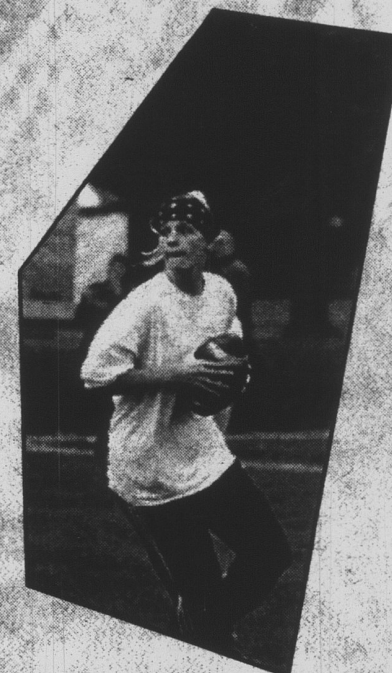
ALPHA GAMMA  
DELTA

5TH PRIZE - \$50 -

SIGMA PHI EPSILON

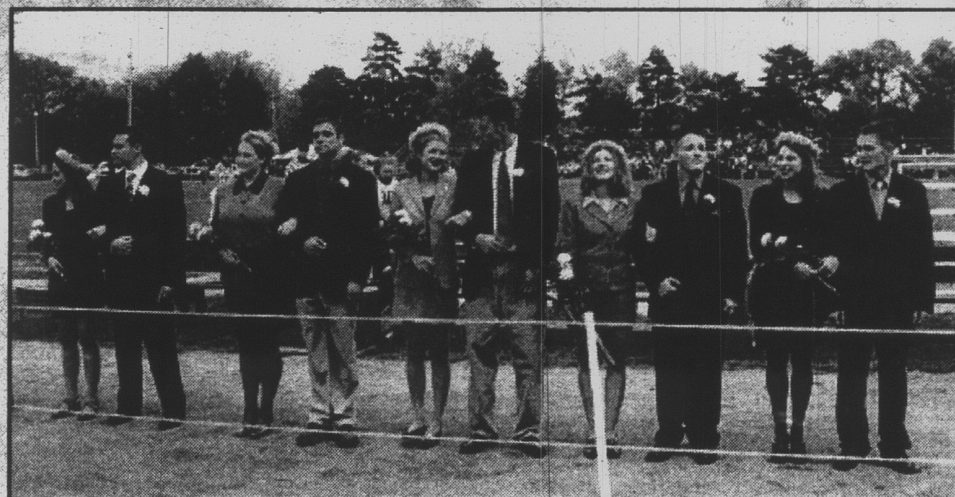
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filled with participants and spectators for the parade. This year's theme was "Saturday at the Movies." The floats created by Sigma Kappa, Dr. Suess' "The Grinch who Stole Christmas" and Kappa Delta, "House of Horrors," both won the award for best float.

On Saturday afternoon, the football team added to the excitement. The #17 ranked Titans took on rival Bethany for a 24-14 win.

During half time, the 2000 Homecoming king and queen were introduced. The winners

were Dan DiDesidario and Jamie Freund.

"I was really surprised that I was the queen, I didn't know how to react," Freund said. "The entire court was deserving, and I would have been happy for whoever won."

Students participating in the activities were excited about the events and fun. Freshman Brittany Jardine was impressed by all of the events. "I was amazed at how many people were at the football game. It was great to see all the support that the school gave."



# FEATURE

## We are the people in your neighborhood

This week starring: Tara Dawn Severin and Dr. Cary Horvath



**Name:** Tara Dawn Severin  
**Hometown:** Gibsonsia, PA (Pittsburgh)  
**Nickname:** "T"

**Year at WC:** Junior  
**Major:** Elementary Education

**Pet Peeve:** "Close talkers-like drunken people who are in your face and keep getting closer no matter how far you back up. I mean, who does that?"

**SB:** If you could date any superhero, who would it be?

**T:** Superman because he has those superhuman powers and he could fly me around.

**SB:** What is your sign? Do you feel that has any impact on your life?

**T:** Cancer-yeah I guess it does because I procrastinate my schoolwork by looking up my horoscope on a million different websites.

**SB:** When you were little, what did you want to be when you grew up? What are you now?

**T:** I wanted to be cool, but now all I do is hang out at Alpha Sigs. Just kidding.

**SB:** What is your favorite board game?

**T:** Hmm. This is a good one, this is a good one. Life, because it can be a drinking game. Ask Dickey.

**SB:** What is your full name and do you know why you were named that?

**T:** Tara Dawn Severin. I was named Tara from *Gone with the Wind*. Apparently I'm a lot like land. Apparently I remind my mom of dirt and grass. I don't know where Dawn came from. Severin because I think that's my Dad's last name.

**Name:** Cary Horvath

**Hometown:** Austintown, Ohio

**Nickname:** "WC flight attendant"

**Year at WC:** 5th

**Department:** Communication Studies

**Pet Peeve:** "Slowpokes in the passing lane."

**SB:** If you could date any superhero, who would it be?

**Horvath:** Although they're hunky, I wouldn't want to date any of them. They'd all be too busy saving people to spend time with me.

**SB:** What is your sign? Do you feel that has any impact on your life?

**Horvath:** Leo. Yes. It has influenced my level of confidence and my hairstyle. Self-fulfilling prophesy in action.

**SB:** When you were little, what did you want to be when you grew up? What are you now?

**Horvath:** An actress or singer. I act like a college professor and sing in the car.

**SB:** What is your favorite board game?

**Horvath:** I prefer cards, but Pictionary is always a blast.

**SB:** What is your full name and do you know why you were named that?

**Horvath:** My maiden name was Cary Lynn Wecht. My mom liked Cary Grant, and thought Lynn was cute. I renamed myself Cary Wecht Horvath, and dropped the cute.



## Dating secrets

By Sara Bosich  
 FEATURE EDITOR

So I was thinking-do you ever want to talk to somebody but you don't want anyone else to know? Maybe you think your friends will make fun of you, or his friends will make fun of him, OR, more likely, you have a crush on him and are afraid of being rejected openly. A friend of mine was trying to think of secret ways of contacting these people without everyone else knowing. Email is a pretty subtle way-if you know his email address and if he checks his email. What happens when he doesn't? (Note: Don't make up an email address and send anonymous emails to him. That is sometimes considered, um, I think the technical term is "creepy.") Campus mail could work if he's a student here, but what if he shows his friends whatever it is you sent him like it's weird or a dead fish or something. (Don't send dead fish.) Plus, you don't want to be stalker-like.

Don't you ever wish there was some way that you could telepathically tell someone to call you? Because lots of times people will say that they will call, but they so rarely do. And I hate to call in case I may sound desperate or like a loser or in case they say, "Why are you calling?" People are so dense sometimes.

Actually this is an interesting subject. What is the proper way to tell someone you like them? My approach has always been, "Be painfully obvious." That is actually how I won over my current beau-however, that failed lots and lots of times before. In the early days every time I chose a new crush I would tell myself, "don't tell them, don't tell them, don't tell them-you're going to embarrass yourself," and then what do you know, it's one o'clock on Friday night, not 100% sober, and somehow these stupid words come flying out of my mouth.

There's always the mutual friend you can find and make them dig up secret information for you, like if the person has a significant other or not and when he has class so you can secretly accidentally run into him at the TUB (which by the way doesn't work if you don't talk to your crush. Always talk to your crush. Punch them if you have to, just so you can apologize and be known as that weird girl that punched him for no reason. Believe me, you'll make an impression. Boys, I think hair-pulling might work for you. Don't punch.). I kind of always thought that it was lame to throw someone else into the equation because I just think it's ridiculously obvious anyway and if you're going to be that obvious just get up the guts to go do it yourself. Plus, sometimes these mutual acquaintances might get a little annoyed at your ventures, or even worse, THEY like you. Ah, the dilemmas we face.

So, I guess maybe there are more options. I always chose the embarrassment-spill-your-guts route because after being rejected enough times and wasting precious breath and emotion on boys never worth it in the first place, I realized that my attention span isn't that long anyway. I may as well tell him, feel really funny for an hour or two, realize I was being stupid in the first place, and move on to the next victim. Sometimes you can make a really good friend out of it. And boys and girls are always flattered when someone likes them.

So get out there and tell your crush how you feel. For all you know, he/she likes you right back and you never would know it because you never said anything in the first place. But...don't be a stalker. Those, in most cases, are not looked upon too highly. All you've got to do is come off as if you're embarrassed (you probably are a little, and it's a cuter look) and say, "This might sound ridiculous to you, but blar-de-blur blar.." It'll probably go over much easier than you would think.

## Happy Bus provides transportation to frats on weekends

By Robin Frost  
 STAFF WRITER

Wouldn't it be great if you had someone to drive you around to all the fraternity parties on Friday and Saturday nights? What if you could even get someone to drive you back to your dorm at the end of the night?

For those students who don't know they have this option, it's called the Happy Bus.

The idea for the Happy Bus was introduced in 1993 by Kevin Mahoney, a member of Sigma Nu who was serving as Vice President of IFC. The idea was first implemented during the '93-'94 school year.

"The purpose of the Happy Bus is to promote safety. We don't want drunk driving, public intoxication or students walking alone in the dark," John Lechner, Dean of Student Affairs said. He adds that no one is promoting alcohol consumption, the Happy Bus is merely a safety net.

A list of rules and regulations was approved by IFC and Panhel in the fall of '93.

On a night when a fraternity house is open, the Happy Bus runs from 10 p.m. until 2 a.m. Two student volunteer drivers shuttle students

between open fraternity houses and their dorms.

"At first, we weren't too comfortable with the name 'Happy Bus' because it sounded like another name for 'Drunk Bus,' but it works," Camille Hawthorne, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs said. "It's fine with me if it gets more people riding it."

Drivers of the Happy Bus are recruited at the beginning of each school year by Lechner, who acts as shuttle advisor. An e-mail is sent out to all students, inviting them to attend an orientation session.

Those interested must fill out a Driver's Certification form, which is then sent to the Business Office to be approved. If a student is approved, he or she is able to drive any college-owned vehicles.

Lechner said there usually is not a problem getting enough people to volunteer to drive.

While most of the drivers for the Happy Bus are in fraternities and sororities, all students are invited to volunteer. Because the Happy Bus is sponsored by Panhel and IFC, they are the ones who must find enough volunteers.

If someone signs up to drive and does not show up, a \$50 fine is charged to that person.

If he or she does not pay the fine after one week, it doubles.

"It's much easier to get the fine paid when it is a fraternity or sorority member because we just bill the fraternity or sorority," Hawthorne said. "It's harder to get an individual to pay the \$50 fine."

There are a few strict rules that drivers of the Happy Bus must abide by. While they are allowed to stop along the streets and pick up students who are walking to or from a party, they can't stop at private residences or off-campus parties.

Also, many people don't know that in order for a fraternity house to be open, the Happy Bus must be running that night. "No Happy Bus-no party," Hawthorne said. Student Affairs sees this as a safety issue.

Sophomore Candi Ludkiewitz agrees. "I take the Happy Bus all the time. Sometimes I want to leave a party at a different time than my friends and it makes me feel safe knowing I will have a sober ride home."

Both Lechner and Hawthorne are happy with the way the Happy Bus works. "It's a great idea," Hawthorne said. "Let's keep it going!"



# Strange noises in the Thompson House raises issues of haunting

By Jon McKay  
STAFF WRITER

It has many floors, a creaky staircase, dozens of locked doors and cabinets, a "storage" attic and over a hundred years of history. All the necessary elements. If it were not so well kept both inside and out, Thompson House would be the stereotypical haunted house.

Although you probably have not been inside, you have definitely seen it. Located across the street from McGill Library and Ferguson Hall, it draws your eye with its immense size and unique architecture as you pass.

Thompson house was built around 1887 as the home of S.R. Thompson, an 1863 graduate and professor of physics at the college. When Thompson died in 1896, his wife used the house to provide room and board to students and faculty. It remained a boarding house until 1931, when it became sorority housing for Alpha Gamma Delta. Since 1945, the house has been owned by the college and used for female housing and office space. Currently, it houses Alumni Affairs, College Relations, and the Association for the Advancement of International Education (AAIE).

The first floor of the house, which contains several offices, does not seem out of the ordinary. However, the steps that lead to the second floor are the first sign that this house is special. The wide, wooden staircase creaks

loudly with each step. The second floor, a little more gothic, shows the age of the house through its walls and floor. Both large and small doors with locks on the outside can be found on this floor.

Another staircase leads to the storage attic, which is just outright eerie. Each step on this floor creates a sharp creak that reverberates for what seems like forever. Again, several locked doors and cabinets are located in the attic. Only small amounts of light creep in through the windows, and you cannot help but think about the hundreds of different people who called this place home in the early twentieth century.

So, is Thompson House haunted by spirits of past Westminster boarders? Or could it be Thompson's daughter, Mary, a student at Westminster who died at the age of 18 in 1886, and who Thompson-Clark-Freeman Hall is named for in part? Or is it just an old house that is inhabited only by desks and filing cabinets? Opinions of those who work in the house vary.

"We've been here almost twelve years and I've never seen or heard anything," said Dr. Lewis Grell of AAIE. Another AAIE worker, Colleen Hannon, agrees. "I've never experienced anything, and I don't believe there is anything in here," she said.

But not everyone is so skeptical. Jen Williams, who ran the college phone-a-thon on the first floor of Thompson House from 1992-97, reports some interesting experiences. "Two different times in the fall of 1995,



Photo by Courtney Behm

S.R. Thompson's daughter, Mary, may haunt the house named for her family.

we heard some kind of loud noise on an upper floor. I made some guys go up and look around. We definitely heard something," she said.

Merianne McGill, who currently is in charge of the phone-a-thon, has also experienced some unexplained noises. "I've heard some noises in the house," she said. "Even last night, I was the only one in the house, and

I heard a loud crash, but nothing had fallen from my desk. If there is something in there though, it's not aggressive."

So no, there have not been any actual ghost sightings in the house, but its historic aura and unexplained noises might indicate to some that spirits linger within. Just be sure to think about it the next time you walk past the house at night.

## "Haunted Happenings" in and around Pittsburgh

WHEN	WHAT/WHERE	INFORMATION
October 12-14, 19-21, 26-31	Armageddon Haunted house	234 Millers Run Road, Bridgeville, 412-298-6802
Open October 13-14, 20-21, 27-29	Spooky Hollow on Bonniebrook Road in Butler, PA	Call 724-285-3104 for more information
Oct. 13-15, 19-22, 26-31	Nightmare Circus in 3D at the Moon Lazer City	Admission is \$8. Call 264-3774 for more information
Open Thursday - Sunday throughout the month of October	Haunted house, maze & trail. 2 miles from the Washington County Fairgrounds	Call 724-222-1451 for more information
October 19-21, 26-28 between 7p.m. and Midnight	The Haunted Hal in West Deer Township	Call 724-265-1248
Open Thursday - Saturday throughout the month of October and Halloween night. Open 7 p.m.	"Scrap Yard Scares" in Cooperstown	Call 724-898-1116 for more information
October 13-14, 20-21, 27-28 between 7:30 p.m. and 11 p.m.	Shippingport Haunted Cemetery & Hayride	Admission \$4 for adults, \$3 Kids 12 and Under
October 13-14, 20-22, 27-30	Haunted School. (Castle Shannon) Corner of Rt. 88 & Grove in the South Hills	\$6 Admission
Thru October 31	Frightfest @ Station Square	Tickets available at all Ticketmaster Outlets or by calling 323-1919

**Open Houses**

*Friday 10-2am Alpha Sigma*

**Saturday 10-2am Theta Chi**

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## STAMPER & STALEY

### Joseph Stamper

*Almost Famous* is a tender story about coming of age and unpolished romance. The film explores the bond that develops when a 15-year-old journalist goes on tour with a fictional rock band to write an article for *Rolling Stone Magazine*. This film may be dressed up in rock and roll, but it is not about music.

In the opening scene, 15-year-old William Miller's (Patrick Fugit), older sister leaves home to become a flight attendant and leaves her little brother a collection of rock albums. William's mother strictly forbids his older sister to listen to rock and roll, but in an effort to stay close to William she allows him to work in rock journalism. The young "still wet behind the ears" journalist quickly makes a name for himself by writing for his school paper and an underground rock newspaper.

Things take off when William meets his idol Lester Bangs, editor and rock critic for *Creem Magazine*. Bangs finds that William's work has merit and assigns the boy to cover Black Sabbath at a local concert. When William cannot get in to see the band, he meets Penny Lane (Kate Hudson), a groupie of the fictional band, Stillwater. Unable to help William gain backstage clearance, she promises to see him again. The actual band Stillwater pulls up in a broken down old tour bus. Although the group is running late, the boy manages to hold a short conversation with the group's lead guitarist player, Russell Hammonds (Billy Crudup). Feeling sorry for the witty young William, Hammonds and the band sneak him into the concert.

After being offered up to one thousand dollars for a piece by *Rolling Stone*, William suggests that the subject be his new acquaintances Stillwater. The young journalist goes on tour with the band but has a hard time cornering lead guitarist Hammonds. The atmosphere turns tense when he finds out that Penny Lane is having a relationship with Hammonds, although he has a serious girlfriend in New York. Eventually William falls in love with Penny Lane and has mixed feelings about completing his assignment.

### Stamper's Four-Corner Breakdown

#### Date Movie- 8

Although devoid of conventional romance, *Almost Famous* makes for an evening well spent. A little long for my taste, the film is purposeful and sweet.

#### Special FX-3

Sorry action fans, there are not car crashes or elaborate production numbers here. Leaving out big booms and blood baths has helped this film avoid the "Hollywood Hype."

#### Star Power-7

Although the main actors in this flick are for the most part newcomers, they deliver. Billy Crudup as Russell Hammonds has a promising future as a leading man. Frances McDormand pulls off one of the year's most unique roles as Professor Elaine Miller. Her character's over protectiveness is almost charming. Patrick Fugit's performance in the role of young William Miller left something to be desired.

#### Plot-6

Though fundamentally sweet and sensitive, the plot was sketchy and only loosely connected. The plot is not so underdeveloped that it keeps the entire film from working, yet more substance and less catchy dialog might have improved the picture.

#### Overall- Worth Seeing

This film made me forget about the fact that I hate Rock and Roll if not completely, at least

for a couple of hours. Don't let the Rock packaging fool you; this movie is about strange relationships. The scenes could have been better connected, but over all it's worth your seven dollars.

### Beth Staley

Remember Cameron Crowe, writer and director of *Jerry Maguire*? He is back with a new film to remember. Crowe writes, directs and produces shades of his own 70's teenage lifestyle in *Almost Famous*. Acting out his memories is Patrick Fugit starring as William Miller, a 15 year-old genius driven to write articles about the rock-n-roll bands he loves. He first experiences rock music after his sister Anita (Zoëy Deschanel) secretly plants a bag of records under his bed before running off to be a stewardess.

Anita flees the controlling clutches of her mother Elaine (Frances McDormand), who forbids her children to listen to rock music, assuming that it is evil.

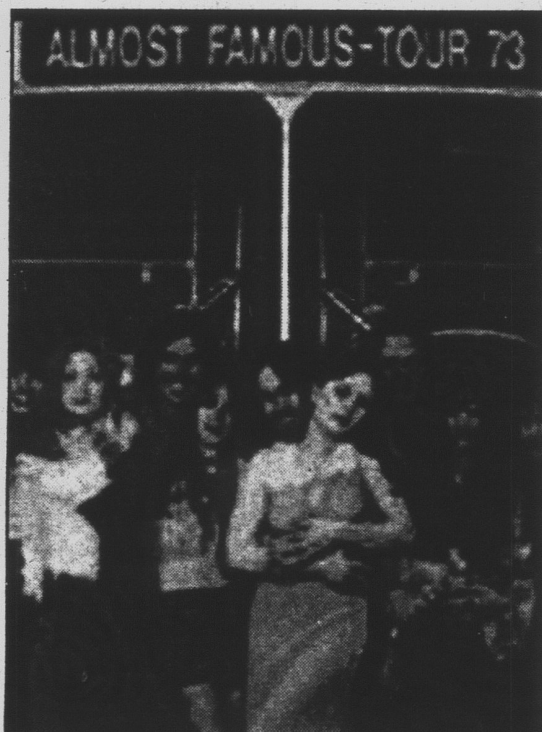
Determined not to also lose her son, Elaine allows William to pursue his dream as a music journalist with the stipulation that he doesn't lose sight of the long-term goal: law school. In San Diego, William writes music reviews for his school newspaper and, with the help of rock-critic Lester Bangs (Philip Seymour Hoffman), *Creem Magazine*. William makes connections with Stillwater and some groupies who label themselves as

"Band Aides," girls more interested in the music than the make-out scene. Impressed with his mature writing skills and unaware that he's 15, *Rolling Stone* asks William to write for them; thus, he leaves San Francisco to tour with Stillwater and Band Aide Penny Lane (Kate Hudson), who accompanies Stillwater's lead guitarist Russell Hammond (Billy Crudup.)

The Stillwater Tour unrolls like a cross-version of VH1, "Behind the Music" and "MTV Road Rules." William falls in love with Penny Lane and befriends Russell Hammond. Consequently, he acquires a sensitivity that clouds his necessary objectivity as a journalist. As Stillwater gains popularity, William gains phenomenal story material. The band doesn't consider William a serious music journalist, a role they think belongs to the enemy. Thus, William struggles between writing a story about good musicians or a good story about musicians.

As Russell Hammond, Billy Crudup reawakens the emotion and mystery of a wild 70's musician whose intensity on stage compliments his carelessness off-stage. From parties, hotel rooms, buses, back-stages, planes, gas stations and streets; Crudup gives Hammond's confusion and confidence an appealing edge. As William, Fugit honestly grapples with Hammond's edge in an impressive performance that defines the collision of adolescence, rock-n-roll and love in America. Finally, connecting Hammond and William is Kate Hudson's character Penny Lane, who has the power to conduct musician and music writer, as well as the audience, into smiles, sobs and sighs.

The soundtrack adds to the emotional force of the movie. Peter Dinklage consulted Crowe and wife Nancy Wilson of Heart on the selection of vintage hits. If you remember vinyl or tap your feet to commercials advertising 70's rock compilations, this movie will uplift your rock-n-roll spirit. Kiss disco goodbye; this is the Saturday Night Fever of 70's rock-and it has a plot! However, if you're tight on money, watching VH1's Original movies will provide almost the same effect as *Almost Famous*.



## Award winning writer Gary Gildner holds poetry reading

By Beth Staley  
STAFF WRITER

On October 5th, the English Department held a very special Bleasby Colloquium featuring a poetry reading by Gary Gildner. As a moody storm stirred outside, the audience in the chapel stirred with emotion during what listener Beth Brooks described as the best Bleasby Colloquium ever. "Gary Gildner brought me to tears with the gentle reading of his poetry," Brooks said.

Gildner, an award winning poet, short story writer and novelist shared some of his best poems and the stories behind them during the hour-long reading. Hailing from Idaho, he brought a tender collage of narrative poems inspired by family members, places and memories. Gildner's warm touch with words allowed his listeners to connect closely with his poems. "He is an accessible poet," Dr.

Perkins said during his introduction of Gildner. After reading his work for more than twenty years, Dr. Perkins continues to read Gildner's poems such as "First Practice" saying, "Yes, that is exactly how it was." Gildner eloquently reflects on his poetry explaining, "I try to be as faithful as I can."

Gildner openly discussed poetry before the reading in one of Dr. Swerdlow's poetry classes.

After reading Gildner's most recent collection of poems titled *A Bunker in the Parsley Fields*, students were very curious about the man behind the poetry. Gildner admitted that he initially wanted to play professional baseball, but after a severe injury throwing too many curve balls, his direction changed. Eventually, he traded sports magazines for Hemingway. Hemingway could describe everything that Gildner loved about fishing and

nature; thus, Gildner decided to go fishing

and write about it.

In his writing, Gildner has a taste for simplicity. "I write, I work, I do with a pencil. I like how the words come out of my head and travel down my arm to that sharp point. I like holding a pencil," Gildner said. "Also a baseball, a smooth stone fresh from the river, a walking stick, my daughter's hand. So I write everything in pencil first." Gildner knows the difference between a rope swing and a chain swing (the rope sings), the value of a cowpie, and the flavor of a dogtoothed violet. Gildner knows simplicity, and in accordance with it, students were pleased that he came dressed casually rather than in a suit. For many aspiring writers, Gildner represents not just the success of poetry but also the success of sincerity in all writing—a sincerity that has the power to inspire others. Gildner inspired many people on Thursday night. Among them is Tim Straite, who commented on the impact of the reading. "Gildner shows the

great American endeavor...freedom and expression that gets inside you and lets you dream." Ben Tate was also impressed. "Gildner was who I imagined him to be, a very earthy kind of guy with a wonderfully mellow and soothing voice. It was great to listen to him read his poems, kind of like listening to James Earl Jones, you never get tired of the voice." Jessica Toy described Gildner's poetry as "very honest; he writes about accounts and happenings that he sees something beautiful in. His poetry adds a brightness to, say, a simple walk down a mountain, that makes us, the readers, squint our eyes."

To poets, Gildner's advice is to read. He stresses that there is no single method to writing poetry; good poetry can come suddenly or from consistent re-working. If you find yourself aching for a good poem, find one of Gary Gildner's volumes of poetry: *The Bunker in the Parsley Fields*, *First Practice*, *Nails and Digging for Indians*.

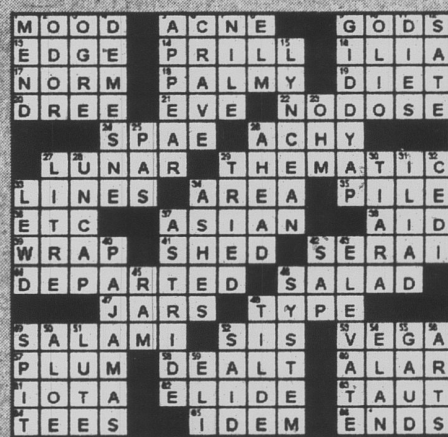
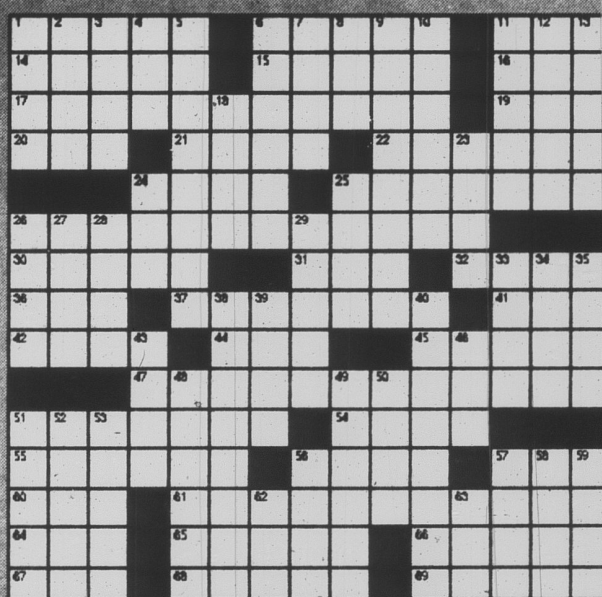


## Across

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6- Helps  
10- Dutch name of The Hague  
14- Isolated  
15- Capricorn  
16- Earthen pot  
17- Peruses  
18- Sicilian volcano  
19- Fly  
20- Small  
21- Female descendant  
23- Sparse fluid  
25- Honey insect  
26- Musical composition for one  
29- Malarial fever  
32- Lion sounds  
37- In favor of  
38- Membership fees  
39- River in N South America  
40- High  
43- Moving spontaneously  
44- The Orient  
45- Regret  
46- Lyric poem  
47- Cab  
48- Neve  
49- Sailor  
51- Mineral spring  
53- Conservative  
58- Money  
62- Welt  
63- Stringed instrument  
64- Willow  
65- Minerals  
66- Soon  
67- Outer coat of a seed  
68- Immediately following  
69- Chair  
70- Satisfies

## Down

- 1- Tarpaulin  
2- On sheltered side  
3- Outer garment  
4- Blue dye  
5- Outer coat of a seed  
6- Old  
7- Very small quantity  
8- River in Europe  
9- Phase  
10- Inn  
11- Drug  
12- Having wings  
13- Needlefish  
22- Recluse  
24- Gravy  
26- Foam  
27- Lowermost deck  
28- Bingo  
30- Command to a horse  
31- Pale green moss like lichen  
33- Idiot  
34- Blue of a clear sky  
35- Scoundrel  
36- Scoff  
38- 4th letter of the Hebrew alphabet  
39- Upbeat  
41- To free  
42- Burdensome charge  
47- Three in one  
48- Sickness at the stomach  
50- Collection of maps  
52- Schemes  
53- Admirable  
54- Holly  
55- Metrical romance  
56- Portico  
57- Portable shelter  
59- Prehistoric sepulchral tomb  
60- Network of nerves  
61- Periods of history  
62- Succeeded




## HOROSCOPES

**Aries**

Adventurous week. You're more likely to have an adventure when you go on a short journey. No need to go very far, just someplace you've wanted to go before but haven't gotten around to.

**Taurus**

Different strokes for different folks. More people around you will differ in their beliefs. Rather than clash with all of them, listen respectfully to their opinions. Then only if absolutely necessary, try explaining your position.

**Gemini**

Your individuality will really shine. Try showing off the qualities that make you different and unique. That could involve wearing your favorite clothes, sharing your hobbies and collections, or telling others your desires.

**Cancer**

This week you'll have dual needs. On one hand, you'll want to take part in social activities. And at the same time, you'll need some time alone. Fortunately, you can and should do both!

**Leo**

People power. To feel your best, spend more time socializing with others. Attending a party would fit the bill perfectly! You can also go to any crowded public place where you can mingle with lots of people.

**Virgo**

Out in front. Your leadership skills are stronger than usual. So much so, that you should put yourself into situations where you can take a greater leadership role. Invite friends to join you.

**Libra**

Spending too long making decisions won't benefit you. In fact, it could cause you some unnecessary grief. The simple solution to this problem is to make decisions more quickly, especially on unimportant matters.

**Scorpio**

Your judgment regarding the use of money is poor. Try putting off any major purchases or investments. You'll also want to avoid advising others how to spend their money. Things will be back to normal soon.

**Sagittarius**

Relationship elevator going up. You'll want to spend more time with someone you find special. If possible, try planning something unique with someone special.

**Capricorn**

Now is a great time to focus on bettering your health. Try to focus on eating healthy foods, and on getting enough rest for your body.

**Aquarius**

This week, romance is a great possibility! So what can you do to improve your chances? You needn't say a word. That's because your nonverbal signals are the key to improving your chances of making a love connection.

**Pisces**

Simplicity is your key to having the most successful and satisfying week. Avoid situations that seem overly complex. Instead, choose to do things in the simplest manner possible. It's also a great time to focus your time on favorite places, activities and people.



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# OPINION

## Rant and Rave

"What would be nice is if Physical Plant would come and WD-40 all the doors on campus. The noise hurts my ears."

"I hate it when I wake up at 7 to take a shower and there's 3 girls' boyfriends peeing in the bathroom."

"I want to see the Clarks live. I heard they've been here in the past and they're not coming this year."

"I hate how security is never there when you need them, but they're always there when you don't."

"I love the veggie ranch pizza in the cafeteria--it's the bomb!"

"I hate it when people gripe so much about Westminster, it's not that bad of a school. If you don't like it then transfer!"

"I really like the new chairs in the Patterson computer lab."

"Physical Plant never shaves the doors down when you ask them--but they'll shave the bathroom door when it doesn't even need it."

"Where are all the hot boys on campus?"

"I don't understand how seniors could make it this far without being able to write a simple or compound sentence"

Rants and Raves may be phoned in to the Holcad at EXT 7224 or sent via email at [holcad@westminster.edu](mailto:holcad@westminster.edu)

## OUR VIEW: Dumbing down classes

A recent article that actually ran in the *Holcad* discussed student's opinion on how college seemed easier than high school.

Many of us find college easier because we finally don't have to go through classes that we aren't interested in. But, at a liberal arts institution, we should be exposed to classes of a variety of disciplines still posing the, "not related to my major" syndrome.

So, that still leaves the question as to why many think college is too easy. It was not just at \_\_\_\_\_ that this issue was prevalent, many on campus believe that their high school was a lot easier than Westminster's classes. Many adding that they don't mind though.

Students don't seem to want to be challenged and many professors don't seem to want to challenge. They want to do the same routine they've done for 10 years and figure their students will learn enough to get by. But is that enough?

It's a question that we're going to have to face once we get to the "real world."

A hypothesis on the situation has echoed out of graduates' mouths time after time. After graduating, many realize that the professors they loved (which equates to the ones that took it easy) weren't the ones they appreciated down the road. It was the classes they struggled in, the ones they had to think for and the ones they were forced to be challenged in that they benefited the most from.

So, are the professors making it too easy? Has this trend made its way to the college campus? And if this trend is true, why isn't the institution taking measures to prevent this from happening? Is the rumor that almost anyone can get into Westminster becoming truth?

Once you get into college, many gear up for the most intense period of their lives. It's almost a do-or-die situation. If you don't do well, your chances of getting a job in your major are slim to none. Administrators and professors feel this anxiety and many attempt to solve that problem by "dumbing down" classes. Dumbing down

scholastics is one factor that elementary and secondary schools are falling victim to, but it seems as though the trend has made its way to the college campus.

But who could even tell if the professors are making classes easier just to get students through? What testing does the college have to really compare their students with others? In high school we had to take standardized testing which ranked the school. Then we were faced with SATs, ACTs and other similar standardized testing. But, now that we're in college, all we have are the professors' tests. So, if one student at Westminster gets an 'A' in Underwater Basket Weaving, does that mean that another student at Anywhere University who recieved a 'D' for the same class wouldn't get an 'A' at Westminster? Definitely not.

We're also measured on graduation rates, percentages of persons who get jobs, etc. However, maybe this school is just good at interview training. Which is great, don't get us wrong. But you know, once students get jobs, they're going to wonder why they weren't trained as well.

A solution is two-fold and needs to be looked at from both a professor's and student's perspective.

The students need to be challenged, no matter how much they complain. This doesn't mean that as a professor, you need to give homework for every class. What it does mean is taking time to prepare a lesson that will make the students think. This also means to keep them interested. For the student's part, they too are responsible for the quality of education they receive. This means actually putting some effort into their work and keeping the complaining to a minimum when a professor attempts to engage them in a challenging assignment that will teach skills they might find helpful in the future. By making these changes now we ensure a more productive, confident and capable workforce will not only graduate from Westminster, but perhaps excel once they leave.

**"Dumbing down scholastics is one factor that elementary and secondary schools are falling victim to, but it seems as though the trend has made its way to the college campus."**

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to an article in the September 29, 2000, edition of the *Holcad*, written by Sara Bozich. My purpose here is to clarify certain Business Office policies and practices referred to in the article.

The Business Office does require, in most cases, that a student request a refund of a credit balance on their account. This is primarily due to the fact that a large number of students choose to leave the money on their accounts for payment of future charges. Therefore, we would not assume that an inquiry being made about a loan is equivalent to a request for a refund of a credit balance. The Business Office does issue checks without request for credit balances when we are required to do so by federal regulations. It is important to note here that we will accept a request for refund prior to a credit balance being generated. We do this regularly for students studying abroad. These requests will be held until such time as a credit balance appears on the student's account.

It has been our practice to generate refund checks once per week. This is primarily due to the fact that the checks take time to process, and we operate with a small staff. In my experience (albeit limited to two years), there have been very few cases where a refund check was needed immediately. Under such circumstances, we have issued hand-typed checks, as we did in Sara's case.

I would like to also point out, when we learned fully of Sara's circumstances, Business Office personnel were very responsive and empathetic. A check was ready and available to her within an hour.

Christine Martin, Controller  
Business Office

Dear Editor,

We share some of the same feelings as Sara Bozich when she speaks of moving off-campus. There are many advantages and disadvantages as she points out. One of the main things we have noticed is the lack of communication between your old friends that are still on campus. Another problem we noticed was the lack of respect paid to the two men living on the third floor. It seemed that people would never stop by to say hello. Such excuses as "it's too hard to walk up the extra flight of stairs" or "I am afraid of heights" were used as a reason to avoid these fine young men. As fellow housemates we were afraid that the isolation experienced by the third floor guys would throw them into some sort of depression. Perhaps the best move would be to just get them a room back in Eichenauer. But alas, just when things seemed at their worst, the guys from the third floor made their move. They lit candles and dimmed the lights and offered a romantic movie to anyone willing to attend. At 10:00 p.m. when no one had shown, the one roommate put his head in his hands and started to sulk. Just then a knock at the door. People filed uncontrollably to the third floor. For reasons unbeknownst to themselves they came (just as people had gone to a baseball field in the middle of Iowa). The night was a huge success, the third floor had finally scored. And from that moment on, they were able to walk around campus with their heads held high.

Mike Schuler

### Letter Policy

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**LIFE DAY** is Saturday, Nov. 4 at Grove City College. Take a stand. For more information contact Rita at EXT. 7437 by Monday, October 16.

**JOIN SEEKERS** every Wednesday at 9:30 p.m. in the Down Under. Come for food, fellowship, and fun.

**BRAISED STEAK DINNER** at the New Wilmington United Methodist Church, Saturday, Oct. 14, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Advance tickets only; no tickets will be sold at the door. Call 946-2246 for tickets. \$7 for adults, \$3 for children 10 and under.

**THE MORTAR BOARD** and the Westminster College Preschool Lab are hold-

ing a book drive October 9-November 1. All books will be donated to the Women's Shelter - Rape Crisis Center in New Castle. New and used books may be dropped off at the Chapel Office or in the Preschool Lab.

**STEELER GAME TICKET RAFFLE** sponsored by the Phi Mu Sorority for the last game at Three Rivers - Steelers vs. Redskins. Tickets are \$1, and will be sold in the TUB, Monday, Oct. 16, 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. All proceeds will benefit The Children's Miracle Network.

**TUESDAY MORNING FELLOW-SHIP** Oct. 17 at 7:30 a.m. in Lindley Dining Hall will be led by Timothy A. Sherwood.

**FACULTY FORUM** Wednesday, Oct. 18, at 11:30 a.m. in Patterson 131 features Dr. Deborah Mitchell presenting "Diane Keaton: The Price of Fame."

**INSIDE LAWRENCE COUNTY**, Thursday, Oct. 19, at 7:30 p.m. on Cable 9 focuses on unusual pets and interesting animal stories.

**FOREIGN FILM FESTIVAL**, Tuesday, Oct. 17, at 8 p.m. in the Down Under features Skyline, a story about a Spanish photographer who comes to New York City to seek his fame and fortune. This film wittily depicts his adventures and misadventures in the Big Apple. Free soda and popcorn prior to the movie.

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## Calendar of Events

### FRIDAY 13

Board of Trustees Meeting  
Habitat for Humanity Solicitation for Sponsors for "Tent City" to End Substandard Housing  
Quad Area Closest to Old Main  
Sigma Phi Epsilon Balanced Man Scholarship Interviews - Sig Ep House  
11:40 a.m. Chapel  
3:00 p.m. Women's Tennis vs. Mercyhurst (H)  
7:30 p.m. Inquiry Movie: Contact - Down Under  
10:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. JT's Café - Down Under

### SATURDAY 14

Board of Trustees Meeting  
Cross Country @ Slippery Rock Invitational  
9:00 a.m. Leadership Development: Building Better Organizations - TUB Lounge  
11:00 a.m. Greek Sweep  
Noon Alpha Phi Omega Canoe-a-Thon - Brittain Lake  
1:00 p.m. Men's Soccer @ Grove City  
1:30 p.m. Football @ Thiel  
3:00 p.m. Women's Soccer @ Grove City  
7:00 p.m. Mass  
7:30 and 10:30 p.m. Inquiry Movie: Contact - Down Under  
8:00 p.m. Newman Club Bonfire - Anderson Amphitheater

### SUNDAY 15

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Equestrian Team Fall Horse Show - Little Neshannock Stables  
6:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Meeting - Sig Ep House  
6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting - Theta Chi House  
6:15 p.m. IFC Meeting - Location TBA  
7:00 p.m. Vespers  
8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230  
9:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under  
TBA Sigma Kappa Initiation - Chapel

### MONDAY 16

Phi Mu Philanthropy Day  
8:30 - 1:30 p.m. Phi Mu Raffle Ticket Sales - TUB Grille  
11:00 a.m. Golf: Slippery Rock/Westminster Invitational (H)  
11:40 a.m. Chapel  
4:15 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Intermediate Yoga, Session B - Dance Studio, Old 77  
5:15 p.m. Seekers Music Rehearsal - Chapel  
5:30 p.m. Panhel Meeting - TUB A/B  
5:45 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Beginning Yoga, Session B - Dance Studio, Old 77  
6:00 p.m. Phi Mu Initiation - Chapel  
6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House

6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - TUB A/B  
6:30 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall  
6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116  
7:00 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311/312

### TUESDAY 17

8:30 a.m. Golf @ Slippery Rock/Westminster Invitational  
9:30 a.m. CCO Staff Meeting - Down Under  
11:15 a.m. Student Life and Athletic Council Meeting - TUB A/B  
1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Career Center Internship Day - TUB Lounge  
4:00 p.m. Last Lecture Series - Phillips Lecture Hall  
4:30 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. W & J (H)  
5:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Balanced Man Scholarship Awards Dinner - Down Under  
5:00 p.m. SAA Meeting - TUB A/B  
5:30 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Microsoft Word for Windows, Beginning Level - PH 214  
6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting - PH 231  
6:00 p.m. Mortar Board Meeting - HSC 166  
6:30 p.m. Volleyball @ Grove City  
6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
7:00 p.m. Raytheon Recruiter Presentation - TUB A/B  
8:00 p.m. Foreign Film Festival: "Skyline" - Down Under

### WEDNESDAY 18

LAST DAY FOR A 50% REFUND  
Last Day for Spring Semester Incompletes  
11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum: Deborah Mitchell, "Diane Keaton: The Price of Fame" - PH 131  
4:00 p.m. Men's Soccer vs. Thiel (H)  
6:00 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Microsoft Word for Windows, Intermediate Level - PH 214  
6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B  
8:00 p.m. Student Pre-Law Association Meeting - Location TBA  
8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - Down Under

### THURSDAY 19

2:00 p.m. Curriculum Development Committee Meeting - TUB A/B  
3:00 - 6:00 p.m. Career Center Grad School Fair - TUB A/B and TUB Lounge  
4:30 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Waynesburg (H)  
4:30 p.m. Student Publications Board Meeting - Old Main 308  
5:30 p.m. Phi Sigma Tau Meeting - PH 116  
6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
7:00 p.m. Black Student Union Meeting - PH 231

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## At the Down Under



### Inquiry Movie Schedule

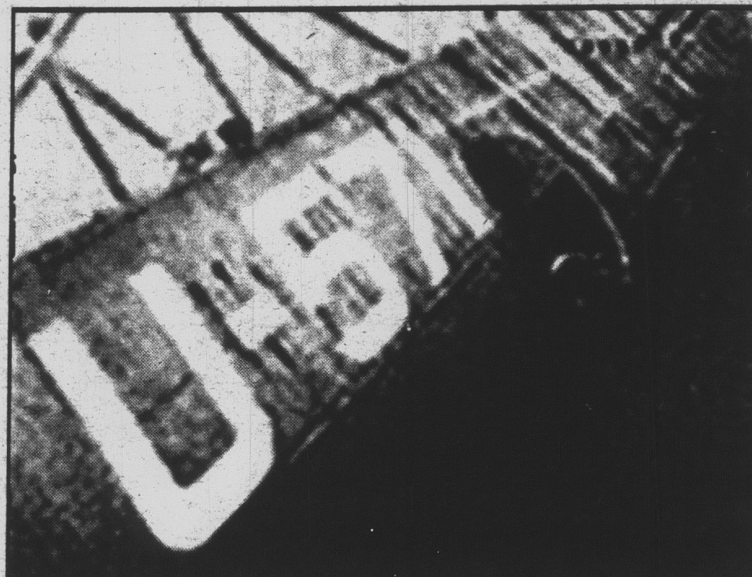
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Saturday, October 14 at 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.  
Friday, October 27 at 11:00 p.m.

#### The Insider

Saturday, November 4 at 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.  
Friday, November 10 at 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.  
Saturday, November 11 at 11:00 p.m.

All movies are shown in the Down Under



Sunday October  
15th @ 9 p.m.

### singer/songwriter showcase



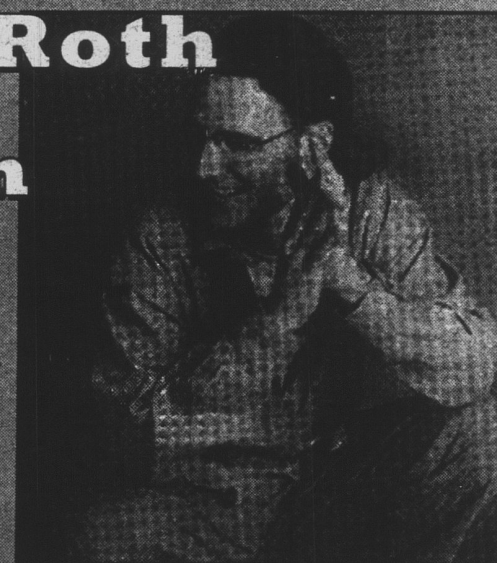
**Justin Roth**

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**Friday, October 13  
at 9:00 p.m.**

Justin and Chris will do a second  
set during JT's Cafe



### JT's Cafe

Come join us for  
free cappuccino  
while you enjoy the  
atmosphere. We will  
provide the music,  
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— you provide the  
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Baked goods will  
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Friday, October 13 from 10:00 p.m. til 2:00 a.m.



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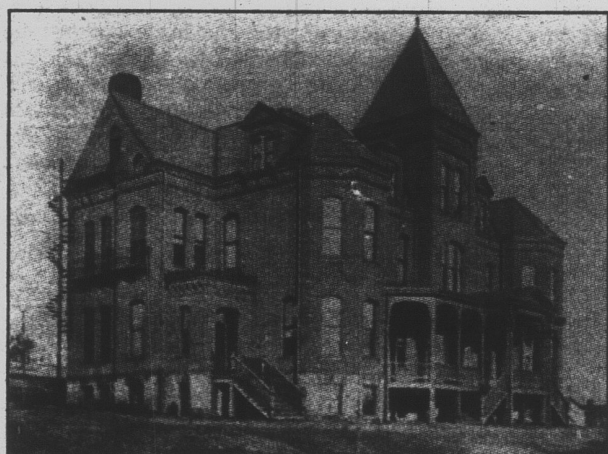


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## Ghosts haunt residents of Hillside



Hillside at its earliest stages looks like the setting from a ghost story.

By Jon McKay  
STAFF WRITER

My search for the supernatural in McGill Library and Thompson House didn't exactly turn up anything worthy of a Stephen King novel. But any Westminster student knows that if it's ghosts you seek, or at least ghost stories, the place to go is Hillside.

Although it was not the first building constructed for the college, it is currently the oldest on campus. Built in 1885, it was used as a conservatory for music. It now houses upperclass women and an

honors hall. Just to clear up a popular campus rumor, no, Hillside was never a mental hospital before it was campus property.

Unlike the other two buildings, there is no shortage of people who are willing and able to share their stories and experiences. Some of them are a little stretched; strange noises probably caused by the age of the building, but others are too eerie to ignore, and have no logical explanation.

While it was impossible to interview everyone who has had some type of haunting experience in Hillside, I did manage to talk to many. I do realize the inevitable will occur; I will receive phone calls after this article runs, telling me that I missed a great ghost story or should have interviewed this person or that. But in the time between now and then, I'm just going to be thankful I don't live in

Hillside.

Senior Diane Lutz has been a resident assistant on the second floor of Hillside for three years. "I've seen and heard a lot," she said. "My music shuts off sometimes, and the workers last summer said their power tools went on and off."

The best story Diane told, however, was about some people who were staying on campus over the summer for the Missionary Conference. Due to a bad rainstorm, some campers were sleeping in the halls of Hillside. Sometime during the night, a man wearing a blue shirt walked down the hall, reassuring the campers that everything would be all right, and that they were safe now. Because of his blue shirt, the campers thought the man was with the college, possibly a security guard. But in the morning, when they attempted to find out who he was, security said they had no one in the building all night and did not know who would have been in there.

Other stories from various residents include the sounds of groups of people running down the halls, feet shuffling across the dorm room floor, posters that will not stay on the wall, shadowy images in the second-floor restroom and even some property damage, as junior Marla Smith says.

A fourth-floor Hillside resident last year, she and her roommates had drinking glasses on top of a television with its back against a wall. Upon returning to their room one night, the residents found all the glasses were shattered in the middle of the floor. "The wind didn't blow them because the window was on the other side of the room; something from the back of the t.v. had to push them forward," she said.

The most chilling story I heard came from junior Melanie Shuluga, who lived in Hillside her freshman year. "I was studying alone in my room one night, and I heard a voice whispering my name," she said. Scared, she ran to her door, and wrote on her message board, "Ghost, please stop bothering me." The next time she looked at her board, some creative

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## Presidents wager ties on game

NEW WILMINGTON, Pa. - The football game this Saturday between local rivals Westminster College and Grove City College has become so big, even the school presidents have gotten involved.

Grove City President Dr. John Moore issued a challenge concerning the game, which was accepted by Westminster President R. Thomas Williamson. The president of the losing team on Saturday must wear a tie from the other school at their next Board of Trustees meeting.

Moore and Williamson exchanged ties in a ceremony at Thorn Field in Grove City (the site of this Saturday's game) on Monday. Moore was presented with a blue Westminster tie, while Williamson was given a red Grove city tie.

"I asked John if we could borrow (record-setting Grove City running back) R.J. Bowers for the weekend. He said that was fine, as long as our defense agreed to stay home," quipped Williamson. "Seriously, we are thrilled to be re-establishing this great local football rivalry after 17 years of not playing each other. It's a real positive for fans and alumni at both schools to see the rivalry rekindled."

Westminster (5-1) and Grove City (3-3) kickoff on Saturday at 1:30 p.m.



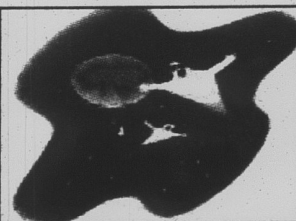
President R. Thomas Williamson and Grove City President Dr. John Moore wager on this weekend's football game.

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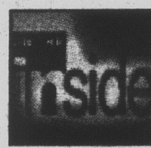
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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Interdisciplinary majors allow a variety of courses

By Alyssa Detore  
STAFF WRITER

For anyone still under the "exploratory" category or for those dissatisfied with the majors offered on this campus, there is a solution that does not require you to transfer. The answer falls under the title of Interdisciplinary majors.

Although they are not well known on this campus, these types of majors are perfect for individuals who are interested in more than one area of study but do not have the time to pursue a double major. According to the 2000-2001 Undergraduate Catalog, Interdisciplinary majors are already structured and include majors such as Intercultural Studies (Sociology and Modern Languages), International Politics, Environmental Science, Financial Economics, International Business, Neuroscience and Psychology-Human

Resources.

There are also Individual Interdisciplinary majors which enable students to propose a program with as few as 24 semester hours in one discipline and a total of 52-76 semester hours. Plans must be approved by all departments involved and the dean of the college. These programs will be administered by a member of the department providing the core of 24 hours or more.

Seniors Sara Bozich and Stephanie Higgins recognized the benefits of Individual Interdisciplinary majors and researched the idea more thoroughly.

Bozich combined her interest in English and film to formulate her major in Photojournalistic Communications. With this major, Bozich's core area of study is English, while also focusing on Broadcasting, Writing, Art and Speech.

"All of my friends joked around that I was

majoring in 'classes I want to take,' but now I really am," Bozich said.

Bozich is developing an original film about the history of the college for her senior independent study that will provide the experience an internship would provide for another major. She also plans to enter the media entertainment field following graduation.

"I've always been nervous about how potential employers may view my 'made-up' major, but I believe that it will emphasize my creativity," Bozich said. "That is how I intend to market myself in the work force."

Higgins also compiled a few of her interests, but did not invent her major in Visual Arts Technologies.

"It's an actual major, but very new to Westminster," Higgins said. "It's similar to the Visual Arts Communications major on this campus, but you don't have to spend your

junior year at the Art Institute in Pittsburgh."

To fulfill her requirements, Higgins takes Computer Graphics and Fine Art classes, Public Relations courses and Broadcast Communications classes.

"My major combines all of my interests into one and gives me great experience in a variety of fields," Higgins said.

Higgins has recently begun to focus on the public relations aspect of her major and hopes to pursue a career in communications and graphic design.

If anyone is interested in Photojournalistic Communications or Visual Arts Technologies, please contact either Deb Mitchell, in the English/Public Relations Department, or Peggy Cox, in the Art Department for more information. If you are interested in developing your own interdisciplinary major, contact your own advisor for more details.

## Mortar Board sparks revival with *Reading is Leading*

By Alyson Karg  
STAFF WRITER

The Mortar Board Society is sponsoring a book drive this month in conjunction with the national project, "Reading is Leading." The project is an effort to promote literacy and reading across the nation.

Mortar Board is accepting all varieties of new or used books for readers of all ages. At the end of the month, the books will be donated to the Women's Shelter-Rape Crisis Center of New Castle. Books can be dropped off at the chapel office on the third floor of Old Main or in the preschool lab in Hoyt.

Running a successful book drive is just one of the responsibilities of a Mortar Board member. This national honors society for senior college students requires active participation and involvement with campus activities.

Westminster's chapter of the Mortar Board is one of 300 in colleges nationwide as was established in 1955. It started out as an exclu-

sively women-only society but was changed to include both men and women in 1971. The teacher sponsor on campus is Dr. Mark Sciotto.

On campus, the society has 40 members, six of which hold officer positions within the group. President Michael O'Donovan, vice-president Dawnelle Paldino, secretary Angie Locke, treasurer Tara Jo Pomatto, membership coordinator Kathleen Morgan, publicity director Meghan Duda and historian Marianne Orris all work together to lead group activities and projects.

Becoming a member of the Mortar Board starts with an application. Qualifications include a grade point average of 3.1 or higher, outstanding participation in campus activities, and distinguished ability in leadership roles and service. A special "tapping procedure" is performed where the new member receives public recognition for his or her achievement and is formally inducted into the society in front of a class of student peers.

Once inducted into the society, the hard

work and extra effort must never stop. Maintaining an active membership, where members work hard to fulfill the same requirements they did when they applied, is key. Along with the book drive, the Mortar Board is also working on "Story Hour" for the children attending the Headstart program. In this program members of the Mortar Board will go to the classroom to tell stories to the children. Story Hour stories will be reenacted and told to the children rather than read from a book.

There are benefits to becoming a member, aside from all the hard work and time contributed. Mortar Board is a resume and character builder. President O'Donovan feels that learning to help others through service is one of the best things about Mortar Board.

"Because we're required to give our service to others, we learn to recognize that some other people aren't as fortunate. We learn that helping people out makes us feel good about ourselves," O'Donovan said.

One of the other perks of Mortar Board is

the leadership convention held every year. Society presidents or chosen members from each chapter are invited to attend a national conference located alternately in Columbus, OH or Phoenix, AZ. Each chosen member/president gets an all-expense paid trip to either city for 4 days to work on enforcing community building and leadership skills. Last year's trip was to Phoenix and president O'Donovan attended. His experience reinforced his belief that Mortar Board offers benefits to its members.

"Mortar Board is a lot of fun. It sent me to Phoenix!" O'Donovan said.

Now Westminster's chapter is working hard to increase awareness of the society among students. A new campus Website is in the making as well as a Mortar Board society newsletter, which will include a "Meet the officers" section and information about upcoming events and projects. The goal is to inform students about Mortar Board so they can strive to work hard and show their leadership skills so that one day they, too can become part of the team.

## Internships lead students in interesting directions

### Students gain knowledge from major-related experiences with varying businesses

By William Weniger  
STAFF WRITER

While the academic year is still new, many students are already planning what they are going to do next summer-internships.

Westminster recently held an Internship day, where students could meet with and be interviewed by employers from many companies and organizations looking for interns. Students were required submit resumes prior to the event.

Two impressive organizations present were Carnegie Science Center and Congressman Phil English's Office.

Although many students are looking for an internship, several have already completed theirs.

Junior English major, Heidi Krieger interned this summer for *Ohio Magazine*. Most of her time was spent researching issues

and people for stories, but she was also able to try her hand at some writing as well.

"I wrote an article on football that was published, it was exciting," Krieger said.

Her article is in this month's issue of the magazine.

Krieger found her internship by using Yahoo yellow pages, looking for listings for businesses in Columbus, Ohio. She called several places and sent out resumes. Finally she landed an interview at *Ohio Magazine*.

Last summer also found sophomore Alyson Karg, a Visual Art Communications major, hard at work on an internship. Karg worked for Harry Giglio Productions on the south side of Pittsburgh.

This company specializes in professional photography used for print ads and corporate annual reports by many major companies. It has done work with Heinz, PNC Bank and Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

Karg interned as an assistant to Giglio. Her responsibilities included scheduling appointments and shoots, as well as working on-location, setting up everything and focusing the lights.

She traveled to Buchanan Mine in W.Va., where Harry Giglio Productions shot for an annual report for Consolidated Energy. She was even in a couple shots.

"The whole experience is wonderful," Karg said.

Karg, who knew Giglio from previous acting and photography, contacted him on her own to get this internship. She plans to go back and work for him next summer.

"Being involved in the Advertising business and watching a photograph being taken, then following the process to the finished product is so cool to see," Karg said.

Working through the career center, senior Michele Rosenberg, a Psychology major,

interned at the Summit County Medical Examiners.

She experienced more of a variety of different things. For example, she witnessed as well as helped perform autopsies, processed film used in homicide trials and rode along with police to crime scenes.

She worked with both investigators and medical examiners.

"I met a lot of people," Rosenberg said. "Some good references for the future, which is going to be helpful."

Rosenberg plans on volunteering there over Christmas break, and possibly next summer.

"I recommend it to everybody, whether you're required or not, you really get a different angle from what you get in a classroom," Rosenberg said.

Anyone interested in internships can contact Janet Waugaman in the career center.



# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Another man arrested in stabbing death of Ohio youth

By Lynda Guydon Taylor  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

A third man was arrested in the stabbing death of a 12-year-old Youngstown, Ohio, girl whose body was found last week in Lawrence County.

Perry Sam Ricciardi, 20, of Struthers, Ohio, was arrested and charged with homicide in the death of Shannon Leigh Kos.

His arrest in the killing follows those of William George Monday, 21, and David Christopher Garvey, 20, both also of Struthers.

A police report did not describe how Ricciardi figured in the crime.

But authorities said earlier that Shannon had known Monday for about a month and that Monday and Garvey were friends.

Ricciardi was arraigned yesterday in Lawrence County on a homicide charge before Mount Jackson District Justice J.V. Lamb.

Lamb had arraigned Monday and Garvey on Saturday on charges of homicide and abuse of a corpse.

All three suspects are being held in the Lawrence County Jail without bond.

On Wednesday, a hiker found Shannon's

body partially in a creek next to a bicycle trail in East Mahoning Township, Lawrence County.

According to police, she died where her body was found, of multiple stab wounds, and an attempt was made to burn the body.

Shannon was last seen at home about 4:40 p.m. Oct. 8 and was reported missing about eight hours later by her mother and stepfather, Patty and Kenneth Bodnar.

"The state police had done a number of interviews with the girl's acquaintances, neighbors, and 'Billy' was a name that continued to come up," Mangino said.

"We eventually traced that name to Mr.

Monday."

Mangino said Monday and Shannon "had a relationship, they knew each other about 30 days prior to that." He declined to describe the nature of the relationship.

Youngstown police said Shannon had been placed under house arrest for being unruly.

Police initially listed her disappearance as a possible runaway case, and said she had left home in the past.

Police said Shannon called Monday on Oct. 8 and asked him to pick her up near a coin-operated laundry in the Youngstown-Struthers area.

### Penn State employee competes and wins on game show

(U-WIRE) UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. — When Robin Riglin found out she would appear on the television program Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? on ABC, she was astonished and thrilled. But winning \$250,000 on the show last week was icing on the cake.

Riglin, the contracts and proposal specialist at Pennsylvania State University Research Park, had previous experience answering trivia questions on national television. She won \$6,700 as a contestant on Jeopardy! in 1998.

Her friends encouraged her to try out for Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? because of her experience on Jeopardy! Riglin called the show's toll-free number. The computerized voice asked her to answer three questions in the fastest-finger format.

A representative from the show contacted

her after one of her calls in late September.

The Penn State employee was then randomly chosen to appear on the show after a nerve-wracking round of phone calls from ABC.

After arriving in New York on Sept. 27, the couple left their hotel at 6:45 a.m. for the taping of the show. Riglin admitted she had a few jitters before the taping, but said she was calm compared to her husband, who was a nervous wreck.

But for as slick as the show might look on network TV, there were hitches on the set. Riglin didn't expect.

One such surprise was how long it took to tape the show because of host Regis Philbin's problems with pronunciations, which often required her to do four or five takes of the

same question.

Even after the show was complete, Riglin had to go back so Philbin could have another chance at taping certain questions again.

Before Riglin had a chance to be in the "hot-seat" answering Philbin's questions, she spent her first morning in New York in rehearsal.

Riglin made wise use of the rehearsal time. "While the person running rehearsal talked to us, I practiced pushing the buttons we would use in the fastest finger round. I was surprised that other people were sitting there with their hands on their laps," Riglin said.

Her practice paid off. She beat the nine other contestants and won the fastest finger round.

Riglin had gained her ticket to game-show

paradise - or at least the chance to play for Who Wants to Be A Millionaire's one million dollar jackpot. Riglin's largest concern at first was making it to the \$1,000 level before the end of the show. She rushed through the first few questions, and almost ran out of time.

On Riglin's final question, Philbin asked her which product popularized the phrase "always a bridesmaid, never a bride." Riglin called her father, who had no idea. She would have guessed Listerine, the correct answer.

"I regret not making the guess, but in retrospect I probably didn't know the answer as well as I think I did. My husband said I was smart to walk away. I talked to my other four lifelines and none of them would have known the answer," Riglin said.

### Texas A&M insures off-campus Bonfire 2000

(U-WIRE) AUSTIN, Texas — A group of Texas A&M University graduates announced Thursday that \$27,000 in donations will be used to insure Bonfire 2000, an off-campus bonfire sponsored by student group Keep the Fire Burning.

Keep the Tradition, the Dallas-based alumni group formed in September, gave the student group donations made by ex-Aggies and others through Keep the Tradition's Web site. The \$27,000 will be used for up to \$35 million in liability insurance for the unauthorized bonfire.

Keep the Tradition Founder Robert Steinhagen, a 1993 A&M graduate, said the bonfire needs to stay in Aggie hands.

"Since every tradition in Aggieland was started, nurtured, passed down and protected by Aggies, we believe that any restructuring done to an Aggie tradition must remain in the control of Aggies," Steinhagen said.

Keep the Fire Burning is an A&M student organization created after the university's decision to put a moratorium on future bonfires until 2002. The decision came after a five-member panel appointed by A&M cited organizational failures and structural problems with the student-designed and built bon-

fire as chief reasons for the Nov. 18 accident.

Joe Dyson, board member of Keep the Fire Burning, said the group is waiting for the insurance coverage to clear.

Dyson added that members are going through a bonfire building training program and said he will provide more information about the off-campus bonfire when the insurance clears.

"We have a higher level of accountability, and we can't emphasize this enough," Dyson said. "This is hard to teach and takes drilling over and over, but we've already started on this process."

Steinhagen added that Keep the Fire Burning board members told him the insurance was a necessity for Bonfire 2000.

"The fact that we're providing more coverage, should anything happen, is a good reason to have the off-campus bonfire," he said.

Steinhagen said he believes the A&M administration wants to eliminate Bonfire forever. He said A&M President Ray Bowen's decision to place faculty and staff who may not have graduated from A&M in charge of building Bonfire is like "a fox guarding the henhouse."

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## NATIONAL

## USS Cole crew gathers to mourn 17 killed in bombing

ADEN, Yemen - The crew of the crippled USS Cole gathered on its listing deck Sunday to pay tribute to 17 shipmates killed in an apparent suicide bombing that also ripped into the U.S. Navy's strategic plans in the Middle East.

Terrorism experts and explosives specialists scouring the ravaged vessel paused from their work as chaplains led the memorial service under blue-and-white tarpaulins to block the scorching sun.

An American official called it "a very private affair" limited to the crew and the extra clergymen and counselors brought in after Thursday's blast.

The official, speaking on condition of anonymity, described the crew as "still in the state of shock" from the "utter devastation" of the blast, which twisted metal and tore through compartments from below the waterline to the towering superstructure of the guided missile destroyer.

Hatches were blown open on the deck, the official said, and areas below near the blast site were "absolutely destroyed."

U.S. officials believe the ship was the target of a suicide attack from a small vessel

packed with powerful explosives. If terrorism is proven, it would be the deadliest such attack on the U.S. military since the bombing of an Air Force barracks in Saudi Arabia in 1996 that killed 19.

Yemen strongly rejects the American claims. The Foreign Ministry repeated Saturday that it "does not accept the presence of terrorists on its territories."

The blast, however, has undoubtedly forced a reevaluation of U.S. military plans to make Yemen a strategic point in the region.

Aden's convenient deep-water port had been used as a refueling point for U.S. warships for about two years. Discussions also had been started on a possible permanent U.S. facility around Aden - near the southwestern tip of the Arabian Peninsula and near the important straits at the southern end of the Red Sea.

U.S. officials have suspended naval stops in Aden for the moment. A final decision will be made once the stricken Cole is towed away.

"It will be up to policy makers to determine the Navy's future presence here," said Lt. Terrence Dudley, a spokesman for the U.S.

5th Fleet based in Bahrain.

But more pressing questions resounded from the Middle East to Washington: who could have carried out the attack that left the world's most powerful military feeling highly vulnerable?

The painstaking examination of the crippled destroyer gained momentum as fresh members joined the team. About 100 FBI agents, divers and others are expected to take part in examining the devastation from the blast, which tore a 12-by-12-meter hole into the ship's midsection.

Five bodies have been returned home for burial. Two other bodies were still in the ship, lodged in twisted steel. Ten sailors were missing and presumed dead. Failure to account for the missing could complicate or delay plans to tow away the vessel.

Thirty-three of those injured in the attack



AP file photo

Crew members mourn the deaths of their shipmates.

were ready to return home Sunday after treatment at a U.S. military hospital in Germany, leaving behind the remaining six injured who were in more serious condition.

## College tuition increases in private and public schools

NEW YORK (AP) - The price of a college degree continues to rise faster than inflation, with tuition and fees at public four-year colleges up an average 4.4% this fall, even more at private schools, a new survey has found. Loans provide a growing chunk of the extra money students need to pay for those degrees.

Average in-state tuition and fees at public, four-year schools is \$3,510 per year - \$148 more than last year, according to figures released Monday by the College Board. On-campus room and board now averages \$4,960, up 5.1%.

At private four-year colleges, tuition and fees average \$16,332, up 5.2% from last year. Room and board on campus is now \$6,209, a 4.2% increase.

Only public two-year schools, chiefly community colleges, stayed below the current inflation rate - but barely. Tuition rose this year to \$1,705, up 3.4%, the survey found.

Private two-year schools boosted tuition and fees to \$7,458, a 7% rise.

This pattern follows an old, familiar trend, said Joni Finney, a policy analyst at the National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education in San Jose, Calif. "Colleges and universities have a very difficult time controlling their costs," she said.

"These institutions were underfunded in the early part of the '90s," Finney said. "...But they've more than made up for lost ground."

But Stanley Eikenberry, president of the

American Council on Education, an umbrella group for higher education, said in a statement, "Given the large, fixed costs of most campuses, in personnel and facilities especially, these numbers show institutions are working hard to hold the line on increases."

The recent increases push past inflation. The Consumer Price Index rose 2.7% in 1999; the first eight months of this year, consumer prices rose at an annual rate of 3.5%. Last year, college tuition and fees rose less than 5%.

Despite the increases, college remains affordable and a good investment, said College Board President Gaston Caperton in a statement with the surveys. "In both earning potential and learning potential, you cannot beat the value of a college education," the former West Virginia governor said.

The College Board's figures concern the costs for 6.4 million full-time undergraduates - 54% attending four-year public institutions, 27% at four-year private schools, 17% at two-year community colleges and 1% at private two-year schools.

A majority of students need grants or loans - or both - but their exact numbers are unknown, a College Board spokesman said.

Last school year, loans made up 59% of a record \$68 billion in financial aid. A decade ago, loans made up just over 41% of student financial help.

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editing had been done. No one on her floor claimed responsibility for erasing some letters to make the message read, "Ghost, please bother me."

These, then, are the ghost stories of Hillside. Haunted? That's up to you to decide. But even I have to admit the evidence is pretty strong. Sleep tight, Hillside residents.

## NATIONAL BRIEFS

## Microsoft unveils Car.Net

DETROIT - Microsoft Corp. introduced its newest software for in-car computing devices Sunday, as well as the industry standards it would like to see adopted for how computers and cars swap information. Analysts predict that by 2006, nearly 50% of all new cars - and 90% of luxury vehicles - will have some kind of Internet capability. Microsoft's Car.Net, a set of standards it would like to see automakers and other companies adopt for in-car computing, is based on open computer industry programming languages and standards - not Microsoft-only products.

## Study: Texas' death penalty system flawed

DALLAS - A group that assists death row inmates describes the Texas criminal defense process as riddled by prosecutorial misconduct, ineffective defense attorneys, racial discrimination in sentencing and a weak appellate process. The Texas Defender Service, in an analysis of hundreds of death penalty cases, said that in many appeals, defense attorneys raised no new claims or failed to conduct investigations. Texas, the nation's busiest capital punishment state, has executed 232 people since 1982, when the state resumed carrying out death sentences. Over half the executions, 145, have come under Gov. George W. Bush's more than 5 1/2 years in office. The report, scheduled for release Monday, cited 84 capital cases in which a prosecutor or police "deliberately presented false or misleading testimony...concealed exculpatory evidence or used notoriously unreliable evidence from a jailhouse snitch."

## Most teens admit cheating, lying

The students have changed, but the results of a national survey are nearly the same: A majority of high school students have cheated on an exam and lied to their parents. The "Report Card on the Ethics of American Youth," compiled by the Josephson Institute of Ethics, has tracked the morals of high

school students in biennial surveys since 1992. "The good news is, it looks like the bleeding has finally stopped. This is the first survey where things haven't gotten significantly worse," says Michael Josephson, the institute's founder.

## Fires at synagogues investigated

SYRACUSE, N.Y. - Authorities are examining at least three suspicious fires that burned U.S. synagogues as turmoil raged in Israel the past few days. But a federal prosecutor here cautioned Sunday against linking the crimes to Middle East violence, based on the scant evidence available so far. This weekend, synagogues in Syracuse and St. Paul, Minn., suffered fire and smoke damage; last week, a synagogue under construction in Pennsylvania burned.

## Report: Violent crime rate lowest since 1978

WASHINGTON - Crime across the USA was down for the eighth straight year in 1999, with the lowest rates for murder and violent crime in decades, according to a new FBI report. In its annual crime report, the FBI says serious crime - murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault - dropped by 7% last year from 1998. The violent crime rate of 525 offenses per 100,000 inhabitants last year was the lowest rate since 1978. But criminologists say the numbers show that the party is almost over and "all good things must come to an end."

## 'Huge' space station takes shape

CAPE CANAVERAL - Two astronauts floated outside space shuttle Discovery on Sunday to do more work on the International Space Station, which is almost ready for its first residents. "This is too cool," radioed Bill McArthur as he gazed at the orbiting structure. "It's huge." The day before, spacewalkers attached the "Z1 Truss" a key component, to the station.





## INTERNATIONAL

## Israel demands Palestine put an end to shootings



President Clinton has been acting as the mediator between Israel and Palestine.

JERUSALEM (AP) - Israel will demand that Palestinians take steps to end shootings by their police and re-arrest Islamic militants they have freed in recent days, the government said Sunday ahead of a crucial Mideast summit.

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, meanwhile, held pre-summit talks with political faction leaders including those from the Islamic militants groups Hamas and Islamic Jihad.

After more than two weeks of deadly fighting that has badly eroded trust on both sides, Israeli and Palestinian leaders grudgingly agreed to attend Monday's summit in Sharm el Sheik, Egypt in hopes of declaring a cease-fire. That goal is a far cry from optimistic assessments before the unrest that a final peace deal was within reach.

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak sounded pessimistic Sunday, telling his Cabinet that he believed that the Palestinian leadership is not ready to make compromises that would bring a lasting peace.

"This is the harsh and cruel, but perhaps not permanent, reality," Barak said.

"In the end we will make peace with the Palestinians, but the current Palestinian leadership is now showing that it is finding it very difficult to make decision related to an agreement."

Israel's army chief, Lt. Gen. Shaul Mofaz, said that regardless of the results of the summit, "the army has to prepare itself for long-term confrontations."

Palestinian leaders also issued a bleak forecast.

"I really urge people not to have high expectations," said senior Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat.

The Israeli government said after its Sunday Cabinet meeting that its goal at the summit is an immediate end to violence and the establishment of mechanisms to prevent a new outbreak of hostility.

In a statement, the Cabinet also said Israel will demand the re-arrest of Islamic radicals freed by Palestinian police during the fighting, the taking of steps to halt shooting by Palestinian police and militiamen, a halt to calls for violence by the Palestinian media and the preservation of Jewish holy places in Palestinian-controlled territory.

Seventeen days of violence that has led to the deaths of nearly 100 people - most of them Palestinians - escalated dangerously on Thursday when a Palestinian mob beat two Israeli reserve soldiers to death, and Israel retaliated by firing rockets at Palestinian command centers.

Since then, low-level clashes and sporadic shootings have continued but the overall violence has abated.

## INTERNATIONAL BRIEFS

## Flooding kills dozens more in Vietnam

HANOI, Vietnam - Two storms triggered flash flooding that has killed 47 people in Vietnam in the past 10 days, officials said Monday. In Cambodia, sudden storms over the weekend left villages knee-deep in water. Soldiers were dispatched to rescue residents. The death toll in Vietnam from massive flooding since July rose to 463 as tropical storms and flash floods continued to batter the region. Flooding has inundated seven of the twelve Mekong Delta provinces since July, affecting more than 4 million people.

## Torrential rain kills 8 in Switzerland, Italy

SION, Switzerland - Landslides crushed homes and flood-swollen rivers swept through towns in the Alps on Sunday, killing at least eight people in Italy and Switzerland. More than a dozen others were missing and feared dead. Heavy rains pounded the Alpine regions, shutting down rail lines and roads and washing away some bridges. Twenty-four inches of rain have fallen in two days.

## Many passengers unaware of hijacking

BAGHDAD, Iraq - They had been in the air only two hours when first class passengers noticed a flight attendant emerge from the cockpit with tears in her eyes. Passengers became more concerned when the "fasten seat belts" warning light failed to go off and the monitor tracking their flight went blank. London-bound Saudi Arabian Airlines Flight 115 had been hijacked. But passengers weren't told this while they were in the air, and the crew remained so calm that some passengers learned of it only after the plane landed in Baghdad late Saturday after a 7-hour odyssey that began in Saudi Arabia.

## Belarus elections declared valid

MINSK, Belarus - Supporters of hardline President Alexander Lukashenko looked set to sweep parliamentary elections Sunday after an opposition boycott apparently failed to invalidate the ballot. Lukashenko opponents called the boycott to protest what they alleged were massive violations in the run-up to Sunday's balloting. Elections officials rejected claims of irregularities late Sunday and declared the election valid when a voter turnout of 50% was reached.

## Pope John Paul II leads mass wedding

VAATICAN CITY - Pope John Paul II presided Sunday at the mass wedding of eight couples from five continents. The pope quoted Genesis: "It is not good for man to be alone." He added his own: Children "are not an option, but a precious gift." The rain-drenched ceremony marked John Paul's Jubilee of the Family, part of the Roman Catholic Church's 2000 Holy Year celebrations.

## Haider's party defeated in regional voting

VIENNA, Austria - Joerg Haider's far-right Freedom Party has suffered a stunning setback in weekend regional elections, raising questions about the future of a movement whose rise to national prominence this year sent shockwaves across Europe. In regional elections Sunday in the southeastern state of Styria, the Freedom Party won only 12.4% of the vote - down 4.7% from its total in the last regional balloting five years ago. The party finished second in the 1999 contest and entered the national coalition government in February, triggering months of diplomatic sanctions from its 14 European Union partners.

## Ebola outbreak in Uganda kills 33

KAMPALA, Uganda - The death toll from an Ebola virus outbreak in northern Uganda has risen to 33 people and left another 63 hospitalized, a government-owned newspaper reported Monday. The Ministry of Health had said in a statement Saturday that at least 31 people had died, but New Vision newspaper said two more people died Sunday in Gulu, a town about 225 miles north of Uganda's capital, Kampala. Reports from the site of the outbreak say the victims are bleeding from the mouth, nose and ears. The area is unsafe due to attacks by the rebel Lord's Resistance Army. The hemorrhagic virus, which kills with devastating speed, turned up two weeks ago.

## Nineteen killed in bus accident in Colombia

BOGOTA, Colombia - A bus veered off a mountainous road Sunday and plunged down a 250-foot slope, killing 19 people and injuring 25 others. The accident happened near the city of Villavicencio, 45 miles from the capital, Bogota. Police are blaming the accident on mechanical problems. The bus was carrying passengers from Bogota to Villavicencio, a popular getaway, as hundreds of people left the capital to take advantage of the three-day weekend.

## Venezuelan oil workers end strike

CARACAS, Venezuela - Striking Venezuelan oil workers called off a four-day walkout that had paralyzed the nation's vital oil industry and posed the biggest labor challenge to date for President Hugo Chavez. Union leaders said they would sign a new labor agreement with the state oil monopoly, one of the largest suppliers of crude to the United States.

## Weird News

## One hot date

EUGENE, Ore. - When it came time for the homecoming dance, Zak Davis decided to ask one special girl - and 10 of her closest friends. Davis escorted all of them to Sheldon High School's homecoming dance. The Sheldon High School senior class president, summer camp counselor, drama student and all-around good guy can now add superman date to his list of accomplishments. The girls, all seniors, had decided early on to go as a group, he said. The special girl, Eynne Smith, wanted to join her girlfriends, which left Davis in the lurch. He decided to ask the group of girls to be his dates. One by one, he approached them in the halls of the school to sheepishly ask if each would be his date. All the girls said yes.

## Is it the Chipburglar?

MONROE, Mich. - Someone has broken into the baking goods factory Amendt three times the past two weeks, stealing about 50 pounds of chocolate chips. The latest break-in was discovered when workers found chips scattered across an office floor and an open newspaper on a desk.

The factory produces mixes for baked goods, including chocolate chip cookies, and stocks about 20,000 pounds of chips. The stolen ones were worth about \$100, officials said.

## College officials upset over nude directory

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. - Samford University's student directory is called Faces, but the new issue has generated a buzz because of other body parts - the cover features a mosaic of hundreds of tiny images featuring nude women and sex acts. The Baptist-affiliated school distributed thousands of copies of the directory. Sharp-eyed students quickly informed school officials that the cover mosaic contained pornography. The cover's artist, senior graphic design major David Carrigan, said he took the uncensored mosaic from a Web site and blurred the images with a computer.



# SPORTS

## All-around solid play advances the football team to 3-0 in the PAC

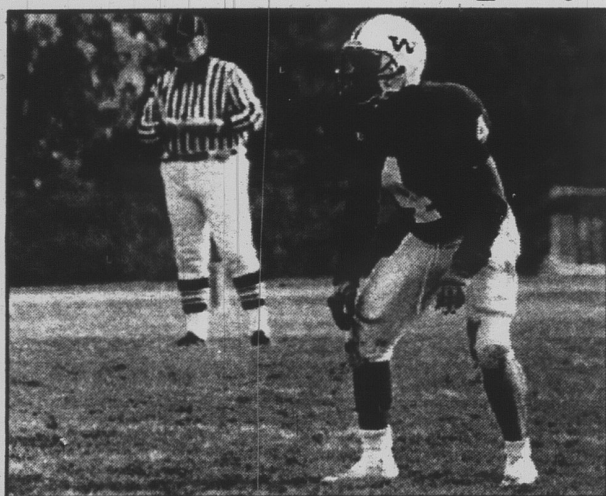


Photo by Courtney Behm  
Joe Stamper (DB) gets in position for the next play.

By Brian Wilson  
STAFF WRITER

The Titans trampled PAC opponent Thiel 51-7 Oct. 14 in the biggest statistic-building contest of the season.

The team extended its winning streak to four, improving to 3-0 in the PAC and 5-1 overall.

"I am very happy with the way the team played as a whole," Head Coach Jerry Schmitt said. "It was the first time this season that we have played solidly in every part of the game: offense, defense and special teams."

Westminster took early control of the game with early touchdowns by senior tailback John

Ciavarra and senior wide receiver Brian Lipiello. A 25-yard field goal added by junior kicker Jon McCartney ran the score to 17-0 at the end of the first quarter.

The Titans buried the Tomcats before half-time with two more Ciavarra touchdowns of 18 and eight yards. Ciavarra contributed a final 11-yard touchdown, while sophomore Joe Patoray added a five-yard end zone drive to run the tally to 44-0 early in the fourth quar-

ter.

Thiel's only points of the day came from a loose-ball recovery off a misjudged Westminster punt snap with 6:50 to go in the fourth quarter. Freshman Kevin Rush answered Thiel two minutes later with a 27-yard charge.

Senior quarterback James Graham used the day to become the all-time career pass leader in Westminster history by totaling 5,014 yards. He eclipsed the previous record of 4,952 yards by 1994 graduate Sean O'Shea. Graham completed eight of 16 passes for 70 yards and one touchdown.

Top rushing performances were given by Ciavarra, who totaled 23 runs for 173 yards and four touchdowns and junior Joe Korcinsky, who ran 60 yards on nine carries.

"Our running backs were so successful due to the outstanding game played by the offensive line," Schmitt said.

The defense also had a successful day, holding the opposition to just 77 yards and snagging three interceptions. Senior defensive backs Aaron Stamp and Adam Jones and junior Bryan O'Neill picked up one each.

"Our defense played a huge factor as

usual, but this week we dominated. It felt good to dominate Thiel's entire team," sophomore lineman Charles Kiger said.

The special teams performed well with McCartney nailing one field goal and five extra point kicks.

"The extra-point team played phenomenally," sophomore lineman Bill Spero said.

Much of the Titan squad saw their first time on the field during the contest. Both players and the coaching staff shared sentiments.

"It was a good experience to get the younger guys out," said Schmitt.

"I forgot how good it felt to be on the field. Also it showed the future potential for the program," sophomore tackle Ian Willard said.

As with any new experience, some players got nervous. "Finally I got in the game and on the first play I jumped off-sides," Spero said.

This week, the team will play at Grove City. The game is expected to draw national attention due to the success of G.C. running back R.J. Bowers.

"Our defense is going to have to keep Bowers contained, while the offense puts points on the board," Schmitt said.

## Golf team finishes third at SRU invitational

By Jody Miron  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan linksters finished 3rd out of 6 teams at the Slippery Rock University Invitational. The team completed the two-day tournament with a total of 637 to finish 42 strokes behind champion Malone College.

"We shot our best score this fall today, which I hope will carry on throughout the spring season," senior Mike Burnett said.

The Titan linksters have competed in four tournaments this season under new head coach Gene Nicholson. The team opened the season with their top finish at the Pitt-Greensburg Invitational at Greenville, placing second out of 14 teams, 3 strokes behind champion Mercyhurst College.

The Titans have been led this fall by sophomore Jim McGovern who placed 5th in the individual competition at both the Slippery Rock University Invitational and the

Pitt-Greensburg Invitational. McGovern has also led the team in all of the tournaments this fall.

"Our number one player, Jim McGovern, has played consistently well and has helped the team tremendously," Nicholson said.

Senior Mike Burnett finished second on the team in scoring at the Clarion Invitational, while freshman Drew Aufderheide finished second on the team in scoring at both the Malone Invitational and Slippery Rock University Invitational. Other top contributors for Westminster were sophomore Dave Blazek, junior Justin Young, junior Ryan Oman and freshman Brian Palermo.

McGovern's score of 79-82-161 helped the team finish 10th out of 14 teams at the Hal Hansen Invitational at Clarion on Sept. 25. The Titans two-day total of 320-336-656 put them 35 strokes behind champion Millersville University.

During the Malone Invitation on Oct. 2,

the Titans finished 12th out of 16 teams. With a four-man total of 326-337-663, the linksters ended 58 strokes behind the champion North Greenville College.

"This season has been a good opportunity for us to participate in a lot of matches," Nicholson said.

Coach Nicholson was named head coach of men's golf after Joe Fusco announced his retirement following the 1999-2000 school year. Nicholson previously coached football for nine years and has also coached swimming and tennis. Along with managing the golf team, Nicholson is also the assistant track and field coach.

"This is my first year as the golf coach and it has been an enjoyable experience and I've gotten to work with many enjoyable people," said Nicholson.

"He's done a good job for us and he focuses on many aspects of the sport, especially mentally," Burnett said.

## Equestrian team places ninth at Penn State show

The Westminster College Equestrian Team (WCET) placed ninth out of fourteen colleges and universities on Sun, Oct. 1 at Penn State University for the third intercollegiate show of the season.

Nine of the twenty-one members competed. Mary Kingston placed sixth in the Intermediate Over Fences, earning one point to her total. Kingston also competed in Intermediate Equitation on the Flat. Holly Daugherty competed in the Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter and received five points and a second place ribbon. In the Walk-Trot Equitation, Tammy Bugher took a sixth place ribbon and one point. The fourth place ribbon and four points went to newcomer Stephanie Edinger in the Advanced Walk-Trot-Canter Division. Lauren Campbell received the Reserve in the Intermediate Equitation on the Flat.

Other participating competitors of the day were Alicia Richie, who competed in Intermediate Over Fences and Equitation on the Flat; Emily Koegler riding in the Novice Equitation on the Flat; and Julie McKnight and Gwen Safran, who both rode in the Advanced Walk-Trot-Canter Division.

## Cross country team struggle at Slippery Rock; men finish in sixth place, women finish last

By Leanne Walley  
STAFF WRITER

The men's and women's cross-country teams competed in the Slippery Rock Invitational on Oct. 14. The men placed sixth out of nine teams, while the women's team came in last out of eight schools.

Junior Jacob Gleason led the Titan men by coming in ninth with a time of 27:55.

"It was a pretty tough course, but we ran very well," Gleason said. "With the level of competition that we faced, we are very pleased at how we finished."

Other top finishers included freshman Tom Snyder who came in 19th with a time of

28:35. Sophomore Dan Beckwith, freshman Sean Gallagher, and Junior Andy Chiapusio placed 37th, 45th, and 49th respectively.

Gleason felt the men's team gave an excellent effort in Slippery Rock.

"We did beat Grove City which was one of our goals and we came very close to beating Slippery Rock," Gleason said.

The Lady Titans posted a last place finish in Slippery Rock.

"We went into the meet wanting to beat Grove City and Allegheny College," said senior captain Jenn Bennett. "The competition was just so strong and it was the first 6 K we've ran this season."

Junior Desiree Henry led the women by

placing 22nd with a time of 25:29.

Other top finishers included Bennett, sophomores Nikki Beaver and Kelly Schmidt, and junior Beth Butcheri. Bennett placed 27th with a time of 26:17, Beaver ran 27:30 and placed 48th, Schmidt finished 52nd with a time of 27:43, and Butcheri placed 66th in 29:12.

"We were missing five of our top runners and the competition was stronger than we've been used to this season. Most of the schools there were Division II," Schmidt said.

Even with these setbacks, Schmidt felt the women gave a good effort and felt the entire team did their best.

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# Sports Briefs Titan soccer falls short against Grove City, 0-1

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

## Post-season competition eligibility

The college has been voted into membership by the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) for the 2000-01 academic year as a Division II member. This membership is in addition to the Titans' membership in the NCAA Division III Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC).

"Most of the other PAC schools are or have been concurrently members of the ECAC."

"Westminster is only eligible for NCAA Division II post-season events during our reclassification from Division II to Division III, and those events will be limited because we won't meet the Division II scheduling requirements," Director of Athletics Jim Dafler said. "The ECAC will provide some other opportunities for post-season competition during the reclassification for most of our athletes and teams. And, those opportunities will increase even more when we are reclassified to Division III, likely at the beginning of the 2002-03 season."

The college will be classified as a Division II member by the ECAC the next two years, and thus will be eligible for ECAC Division II post-season competition. Westminster and Gardner-Webb University, an NCAA Division I institution in North Carolina, were both recommended by the membership committee and voted in by the executive council at the ECAC Fall Convention in Hyannis, Mass., from Oct. 1-3. The addition of Westminster and Gardner-Webb increases ECAC membership to 311 colleges and universities from Maine to North Carolina. The ECAC is the nation's largest athletics conference and currently conducts 108 championships in 24 sports. The ECAC also coordinates awards, administration of affiliate organizations, conventions, meetings, marketing, officiating, playing leagues, public relations and special events for its membership.

## Three women's sports added

The athletic department will add three varsity women's sports for the 2001-02 academic year, bringing the total number of varsity teams fielded by Westminster to 20 (10 men, 10 women). The College will be adding women's golf, indoor women's track & field and outdoor women's track & field next year.

The addition of the sports is made possible by several athletic facility improvements currently underway at the College. A gift by the New Castle-based Hoyt Foundation has resulted in plans for construction of a new all-weather track & field facility at the College, set to begin construction this spring and expected to be completed in time for the next school year. Also, construction has begun on the James F. Edwards Wing of Memorial Field House, which will greatly expand the locker room capacity at the College.

"With the help of major donors to different projects, including the new track and the Edwards Wing, we are pleased to now be able to offer these opportunities to young women at Westminster," said President R. Thomas Williamson. "The Hoyt Foundation of New Castle and alumnus Jim Edwards, from the Class of 1942, as well as numerous other donors, have put the College in a position to advance its athletic program again."

Current Westminster head men's track & field coach Larry Ondako will also serve as women's head track & field coach, beginning next year. Ondako will also add a pair of assistant coaches to his staff at a later date. The College will begin a search for a part-time head women's golf coach. In addition, veteran Titan coach S. Kipley Haas will serve as an administrative assistant in women's golf. Other coaching additions and changes in coaching responsibilities will be announced at a later date.

By James Baron  
STAFF WRITER

The men's soccer team tied the school win record against Daemen Oct. 11, but failed to continue the streak with a loss to Grove City Oct. 14.

The Titans started out strong against Daemen with a 3-0 lead by halftime. Seniors Derek Baumgartner and Matt Nichols and sophomore forward Pasquale Reino all had goals in the first half. Senior Jake Joyce finished Daemen off with a second half goal. Joyce, Reino and sophomore Josh Hanna each had and assist in the game.

Junior James Houser and sophomore Kevin Humberston continued their successful season with a combined nine saves in the shutout.

Hopes were dashed in the streak-snapping game against Grove City. With the 1-0 loss, the Titans have a 9-3-1 overall record, 1-1 in the PAC.

Westminster goalkeepers Humberston and Houser, who had 13 saves, guarded the net with continued skill until late in the game

when one goal slipped past.

The Titans were disappointed, yet realistic with the end of the streak.

"Our winning streak wasn't going to last the whole season," Reino said.

Many factors contributed to the loss. Joyce suffered a minor concussion, while Nichols missed a penalty kick.

"This is very disappointing for us, but we are not going to change any part of our game plan for the next game. We have the skills and the tactics to continue winning," sophomore Nicholas D'Antonio said.

Titans will attempt to break the 1997 record for most wins in a season when they host Thiel Oct. 18. The current record stands at nine.



Photo by Aly Karg

Braeden Mathieu shows off his footwork in their recent game against Mercyhurst. The Titans ended their win streak with a loss to Grove City.

# Lady tennis team drops final two matches

By Megan Elias  
STAFF WRITER

The Lady Titan tennis team fell to Penn State-Behrend and Mercyhurst in their final two matches of the season.

The team traveled to Penn State-Behrend on Oct. 10. They posted a 7-2 non-conference loss in the match.

Fourth singles player, junior Brenda Rowland, posted the teams lone singles win in a three set victory.

In doubles, senior Ellen Johnston and sophomore Molly Householder won in a tiebreaker.

"I am pleased with the way the team played under the circumstances, the weather was horrible and we were minus two of our

starters," Head Coach S. Kipley Haas said.

In their final match of the season, the Lady Titans fell 9-0 to Mercyhurst at home on Thursday, Oct. 10. Mercyhurst didn't lose a set in the non-conference match.

"The team really held their own against the division two team," Haas said. "When they play a team that good, it brings their playing to a whole new level."

In singles play, Mercyhurst's Julie Enns defeated first singles player, Anne Muir, 6-2, 6-1.

Muir and sophomore, Suzanne Leyden, lost to Enns and Hughes 8-4 in #1 doubles.

"Mercyhurst is a tough match, but a good learning experience," junior Shannon Haines said. Haines holds the team best overall record of 7-3.

The team overcame many injuries and lineup changes to close their season with a record of 6-5 overall and 4-1 in the PAC. They stand second in the conference, behind Grove City.

Coming out of the GLIAC this is the teams first season in the PAC. "We built a good foundation this season," sophomore, first singles player, Anne Muir said. "Because of our great team work next season will be even better."

For next season, the Lady Titan roster will be losing lone senior Ellen Johnston.

"Ellen is a real team leader," Haas said. "Over the past four years, I have watched her become one of the most improved players that I have seen."

# Lack of conference competition, team unity lead Titans to their 20th win

By Jason Gabany  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan volleyball team earned its 20th win of the season, improving their record to 8-0 in the PAC and 20-7 overall, with wins over Thiel and Waynesburg.

Winning 11 of their last 12 games, the Titan spikers have shown their dominance on the court.

"Everybody is playing really well," said senior captain Andrea Cronie.

Thiel, with their flare to over-dramatize and play to the referees, was no match for the Titans who let their power and skill do the talking. They swept the game 15-12, 15-6, 15-9, at Thiel on Oct. 10. Sophomore Monica Asher was the top gun of the game with 11 kills and four aces. Juniors Meredith Etcher and Shannon Simmons each had nine kills and seven digs. Sophomore Carolee Reed and freshman Jessica Young split setter duties with 10 and 12 assists. Sophomore Suzanne Fitz had 4 solo blocks.

Everyone on the team got playing time against Thiel.

Coach Tammy Swearingen said, "We've

gotten stronger in team unity since our initial losses."

After a non-conference meeting away at Waynesburg on Oct. 12, the volleyball team was able to keep their winning streak alive, and post their 20th win of the season. The Titans swept Waynesburg 15-5, 15-2, 15-11. Simmons posted 10 kills and 11 digs, while sophomore Suzanne Fitz turned in 9 kills and 4 solo blocks. Etcher had eight kills and sophomore Carolee Reed had 25 assists. Spehar posted five solo blocks.

The Titan volleyball team has shown its dominance both on the road and at home. Coach Swearingen said this season is a complete turn around from last year. Though they are enjoying their newfound success, Cronie adds, "Personally, I wish we had more competition." Only one conference game has gone longer than 3 matches.

The Titans may find that competition, as they head to the University of Chicago to compete against other schools across the country. Swearingen believes they will do well given their current momentum, but admits they don't know too much about the competing teams.

# Lady Titans remain undefeated in PAC

Mike Power  
STAFF WRITER

The women's soccer team remains undefeated in the PAC after two wins over Thiel and Grove City Oct. 10 and 14, respectively.

The Titans hosted Thiel in a conference match up that led to Westminster's seventh win on the season in commanding fashion.

The Titans controlled the game from the onset and didn't look back, shutting out the Tomcats in a 10-0 win.

Junior midfielder Stacy Tempalski led the scoring onslaught as she scored a hat trick with three goals in the contest.

Also leading the team to victory was sophomore forward Katie Krone with two goals and junior forward Ashley Pyle with a goal and two assists. Junior goalkeeper Sarah Morrison recorded her sixth shutout of the season as she faced only one shot by the Thiel offense in the game.

"It was nice to win a game by ten goals because it gave the freshmen players on the team an opportunity to get some time on the

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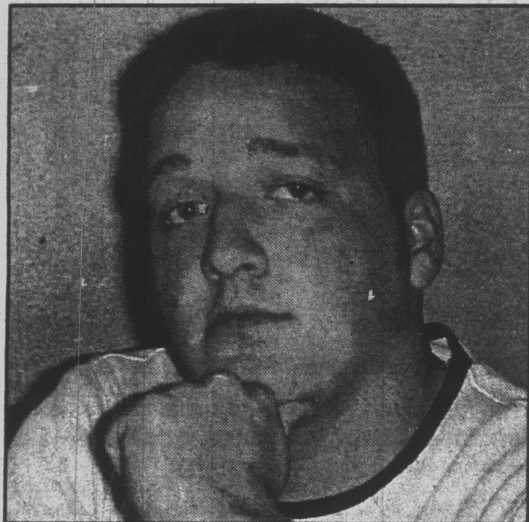


# FEATURE

## We are the people in your neighborhood

This week starring: Gerald Daniel DiDesiderio III and Dr. Eugene Guinness Sharkey

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR



**Name:** Gerald Daniel DiDesiderio III  
**Hometown:** New Wilmington, PA  
**Nickname:** "Danny" "Player"  
**Year at WC:** Junior  
**Major:** Music Education  
**Pet Peeve:** "The squirrels. I hate those things. 7:40s. People who don't smile and say good morning."

**SB:** What do you feel is your greatest talent?  
**Player:** Interacting with people.

**SB:** If you could be any cartoon character, who would it be?  
**Player:** Donald Duck so I wouldn't have to wear pants.

**SB:** I wish that WC offered a Home-Ec class because I've already given up on learning to cook on my own. What class do you wish WC offered?  
**Player:** Recess.

**SB:** What television show do you drop everything for?  
**Player:** I don't really watch TV.

**SB:** Do you have a personal quote or a quote that you live by? Please enlighten us.  
**Player:** "Go for it. If you don't get it, at least you tried."

**Name:** Dr. Eugene Guinness Sharkey  
**Hometown:** Belleville, NJ  
**Nickname:** N/A  
**Year at WC:** 29th  
**Department:** History  
**Pet Peeve:** "The increasing difficulty in finding a place to park."

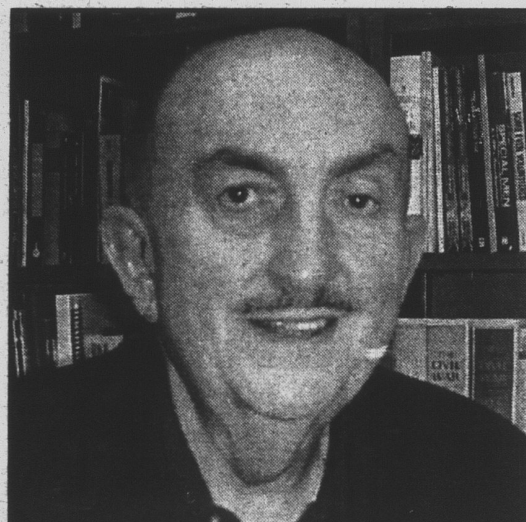
**SB:** What do you feel is your greatest talent?  
**Sharkey:** I think my greatest talent, truly, is my ability to transmit my love of learning to students.

**SB:** If you could be any cartoon character, who would it be?  
**Sharkey:** Since childhood I have been an admirer of Batman, especially now that he has OnStar in his car.

**SB:** I wish that WC offered a Home-Ec class because I've already given up on learning to cook on my own. What class do you wish WC offered?  
**Sharkey:** A program that more completely addresses the interrelationship of all knowledge.

**SB:** What television show do you drop everything for?  
**Sharkey:** Frasier

**SB:** Do you have a personal quote or a quote that you live by? Please enlighten us.  
**Sharkey:** I believe "it is better to be grunted than disgruntled."



## Boy meets girl: more advice on the dating game

By Sara Bozich  
STAFF WRITER

According to our homepage, of our 1,450 students, the current ratio of women to men is 58% to 42%. Let's talk math for a moment. I figure that if one half of the girls have a steady boyfriend, that still leaves 420.5 single females wandering around every day. And I know that not all 42% of you boys have girlfriends. Do you want one? Okay, I don't want to do a complete rewrite of last week's column, but let's have a little discussion, okay? This is for you-the guys who want girlfriends and aren't making a move.

We'll start with the basics. Forget your friends. No, I mean, quit worrying about what they might say. If you like a girl, you shouldn't be embarrassed no matter how immature your friends may be about it. Odds are they are jealous or too dim-witted to see how the girl is special, great or wonderful.

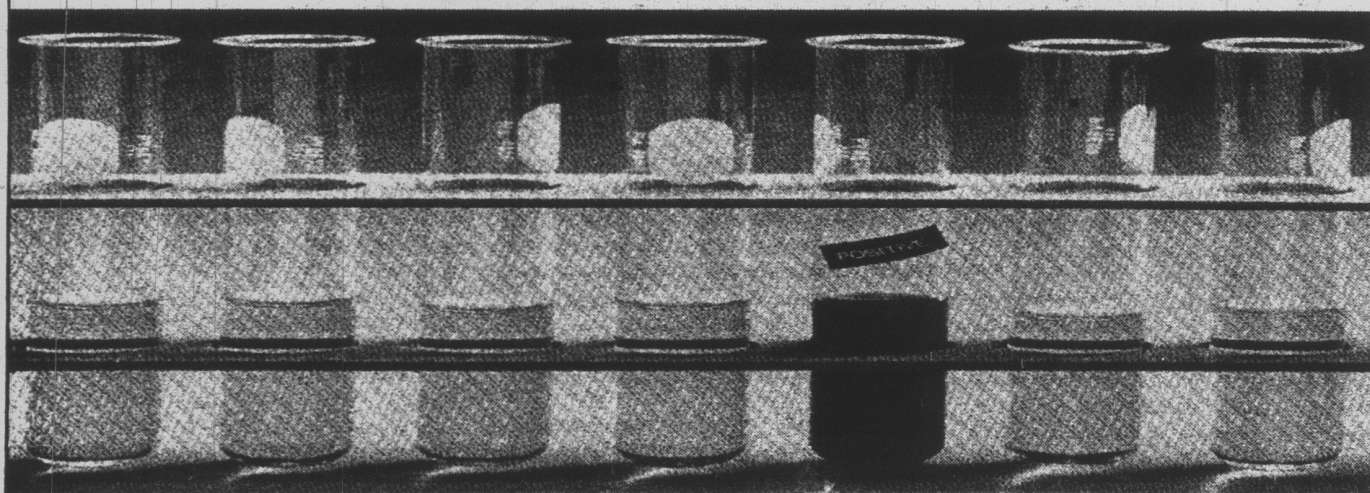
Secondly, don't worry about having "game." We don't like this. While it is amusing, it doesn't lend itself to any girl taking you seriously. She thinks you say that to everyone and that you just want her in your bed. You don't want to give that impression to any girl who you truly want to date.

Thirdly, forget any idea you have that when you mention the word "girlfriend," that we think "marriage." Most female college students I know aren't ready for the old "bal-l'n chain" either. We will not make you stop hanging out with your friends and we will not try to tag along all the time. We understand the meaning of quality time with the boys. We don't even WANT to be with you every second. We are fully capable of grasping the concept of separate lives and having breathing room.

Also, if you have never had a serious relationship, either in high school or here, you must engage (don't get scared of that word, that is not what it means in this sentence) in a relationship, yes, relationship (try saying that word out loud a few times. It gets less scary) in college. If you do not, no one after college will ever date you. And if they do, you'll be useless to them. Even if we don't always want to hear about ex-girlfriends, it helps if you have some prior experience in this realm. More than likely, we do.

The first step can be an easy one. Are you in a fraternity? Good, then you have date parties. Try this: ask a girl to one. It's ridiculous how many guys are too chicken to take a date to one of these things and instead take another brother. Are you that cheap? It's completely unnecessary. At least take a girl friend. I know you have at least one of those. We don't think, once again, that if you ask us to a date party that we've magically become a couple. (I have no idea where you boys get these thoughts in your head.) All girls want to go to date parties, no matter who you are, no matter what fraternity you're in. We want to go. They are fun. Therefore, your chance of getting rejected is rather slim. This may sound harsh, but it's something you've got to hear. Be bold, be brave, and make your move. She may even say yes. Gosh, I hope she does or I'm going to get a lot of letters about this. Also, you can refer to last week's article for ideas on how to approach someone you like. It's always worth the try. Embarrassment may last a few hours, but you could wonder "what if" forever.

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# Ask Alyssa: Amish culture focuses on simplicity

Dating issues from A-Z

By Alyssa Detore  
STAFF WRITER

Most people who know me at all understand that I am completely clueless when it comes to relationships. Yes, I've had a boyfriend for two years, but I promise you that's purely good luck.

I find it especially difficult to understand the male species on this campus, as I know most girls do. I can never quite comprehend how they can be so perfect when you are alone, but the minute they even sense that their friends are around everything changes.

I'm not trying to be biased at all, because I also realize how confusing girls can be. I can't even count the number of times my friends and I have said one thing, but meant something entirely different. I've decided that something needs to be done to finally end all of this drama and reach an understanding between the males and females on this campus.

As an attempt to a solution, I will try each week to thoroughly research (basically observe the gossip that circulates Westminster) to discover a question about the opposite sex that is bothering the minds of students and will then interview a few individuals to uncover some answers.

If you are a guy and you want to know why your girlfriend is so moody and why you can never say anything right, I will go straight to the source and ask other girls what they think. If you are a girl and you want to know why your boyfriend is acting so shady and ignoring you at parties, I will figure out an explanation by questioning some of his friends. As a tribute to my six roommates, and a few other "drama queens" who shall remain nameless, I'm dedicating this column to the countless nights we've spent drowning our confusion and sorrow in Coors Light and taco dip. If this information enlightens at least one person on this campus I will consider myself successful. If you have a question that you would like to be answered by the opposite sex, please email me at [detorean@westminster.edu](mailto:detorean@westminster.edu).

By Joy Kelewae  
STAFF WRITER

We've all seen them around town in their buggies or buying groceries, but what do we really know about the Amish?

The Amish are a religious group who live in settlements in 22 states and parts of Canada. They stress humility, family, community and simplicity.

They may ride in buggies because their lives move more slowly than ours, but they are definitely not stuck in the past. They simply choose to examine change carefully before accepting it. If a new idea or gadget does not keep their lives simple and their families together, they will probably reject it.

Their clothing is different too. The women and girls wear modest dresses made of solid-colored fabric with long sleeves and a full skirt no shorter than half-way between the knee and floor. These dresses are covered with a cape and apron and are fastened with straight pins or snaps. They also don't wear jewelry. Men and boys wear dark-colored suits, straight-cut coats without lapels, broad fall trousers, suspenders, solid-colored shirts, black socks and shoes, and black or straw broad-brimmed hats. The Amish feel these distinctive clothes encourage humility and separation from the world. Their clothing is not a costume; it is an expression of their faith.

Many people are unsure of exactly what

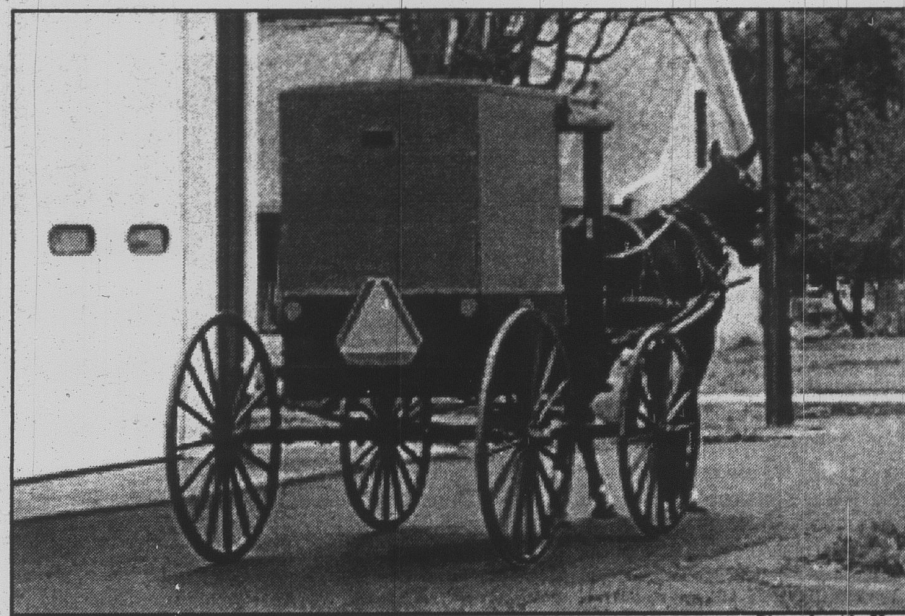


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The Amish are all around campus but few students understand their culture.

the Amish may or may not do in keeping with their beliefs.

"One day I was in Prima's and they were watching Dukes of Hazard and listening to country music. I didn't know they were allowed to do that," sophomore Nikki Findley said. Sophomore Sarah Proper is a bit more knowledgeable about the Amish.

"I have grown up with them, they don't bother me or seem out of place," Proper said. "They also used to go into the McDonald's I worked at, they mostly get fish filets."

Even if you know nothing about the Amish, think they are odd, or just find them amusing, remember that it is their way of life, and that to them we are different.

## Changing weather makes it difficult to predict

By Alyssa Detore  
STAFF WRITER

With shifting trends in weather conditions recently, predictions for the upcoming season are virtually impossible. Experts can only speculate the future climate.

According to the Old Farmer's Almanac's Annual Weather Summary for Oct 2000-Nov 2001, temperatures will be above normal for the Greater Ohio Valley. Although the Almanac provides a weekly description for October and November's weather for this year, local forecasters and students are finding it challenging to even determine the weekend's outlook.

"The weather is very confusing, so I wake

up every morning and stare blankly at my closet," junior E.J. Campbell said. "I have to have two outfits for the day because it changes so much-the key is layering."

The Almanac's estimation for Oct. 19-22 is rain and then freeze, but for the 23-31 the prediction is warm weather, then rainy and cool, and then sunny.

The expected temperature for Nov. is 44 degrees, one degree below average. Each week varies beginning with cold weather for Nov. 1-4, thunderstorms and warm temperatures for the 5th-10th, snow during the 11th-14th, warm thunderstorms for the 15th-20th, and returning to cold rain and snow for the rest of the month.

"The weather has been so up and down

lately and it's affecting everyone's health because they can't get used to one type of climate," senior John Ciavarra said.

Although weather changes do not directly affect people's health, they do influence immunity.

"When the weather changes drastically, or it gets colder and people are inside more together, students' resistance and immunity are weakened and they are more susceptible to illnesses going around," Judith Duda, director of the health center said.

My advice for this season is to keep your summer, fall, winter, and spring clothes at school for the entire year and never watch the local weather because they are always dead wrong.

## SIFE offers chance to apply classroom knowledge

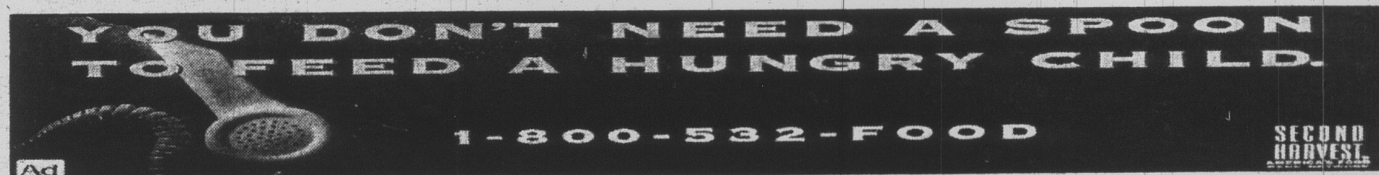
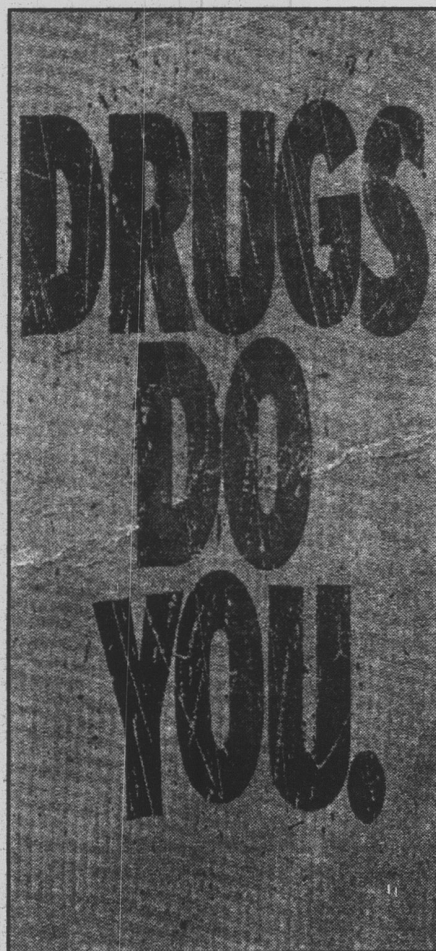
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SIFE students presented their outreach programs to a panel of local and national business leaders and entrepreneurs who rated the overall effectiveness of each team's efforts. Students also met with dozens of corporate

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Thomas Rosengarth serves as advisor for the Westminster SIFE Team. Rosengarth was named a Sam M. Walton Free Enterprise Fellow in recognition of his leadership and support of the SIFE program on our campus.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

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**Joseph Stamper**

There is finally a legitimate candidate for film of the year in *Remember the Titans*. The Disney film combines the tensions of a newly integrated southern city, a hiring by the local school board based on race and good old-fashioned football. Yes- *Remember the Titans* is centered in football. Athlete-haters shouldn't dismiss this as another film about overpaid egocentric men making a living playing a boys' game though, because it's not. It is a movie based on a true story about how the solidarity of a team aided in the relief racial tensions and helped a city coalesce.

In the newly integrated school system of Alexandria, Virginia, tensions ran high after the murder of a young boy. In an effort to appease the African-American community, the school board passed over a white coach with seniority and a winning tradition to hire an African-American coach from out of state to head T.C. Williams High School. Initially the white players refused to play without their head coach Bill Yoast (William Payton), a candidate for the High School Coaches Hall of Fame. Herman Boone (Denzel Washington), the African-American hired to be head coach of the Titans, talks to Yoast about putting their egos aside. Yoast finally comes around and the white players follow suit. During football camp the young men undergo a transformation. Despite numerous altercations, trials and tribulations, the racial current takes a back seat for the good of the team. Away from the influence of the emotionally charged city of Alexandria, many of the boys actually become friends. Even Boone and Yoast develop a mutual respect for each other.

While football camp may have made the Titans a team on the field, returning to Alexandria for the beginning of the school year becomes the young men's true challenge in this film. Making decisions about friends and ultimately family in regards to race relations is the true confrontation these young men face.

**Stamper's Four-Corner Breakdown**
**Date Movie-8**

One should not feel obligated to view this movie within the confines of a date. This film makes for an enjoyable evening or afternoon any way you slice it. Although it does not include traditional romantic connotations, *Remember the Titans* is sure to provide meaningful conversation on the many ups and downs of the film between you and your potential mate.

**Special FX-7**

Sorry. If you're expecting scenes that rival the playoff game against Dallas in *Any Given Sunday* where a player loses his eye, you will be disappointed. But surprisingly there are some hard hits and hard-hitting topics in this Disney film. Besides, I have been playing and watching football for over 14 years and I have never seen a player lose an organ on the field.

**Star Power-10**

Although this film brings in a couple of heavy hitters including Academy Award winning actor Denzel Washington and experienced veteran William Payton, it is the young stars that gives the movie depth. Hayden Panettiere as Coach Yoast's nine-year-old daughter really stole the show. The comedy she injected into emotionally taxing situations gives this film buoyancy. The chemistry between Ryan Hurst and Wood Harris as the leaders of the team is pivotal in making this film work.

**Plot-10**

When you walk into the theater, you know that the Titans are going to become state champions, but at no time in the film do you find things predictable. *Remember the Titans* is well written and well timed.

**Overall- Must See**

I hate feel-good movies, but this film has so much depth and drama that it fooled me. A great film tells you a story and more importantly makes you feel. This is great film. It's been along time since I've been to a movie and heard people laugh out loud, cry and clap within a ten-minute time frame. *Remember the Titans* will ultimately end up in the top three films released in the year 2-G.

**Beth Staley**

*Remember the Titans* is based on a remarkable true story that the Alexandria citizens of 1971 will never forget. Bringing the story to the world is a talented cast that movie viewers will never forget. Academy Award winner Denzel Washington plays Herman Boone, an African American football coach from South Carolina hired as head coach at T.C. Williams High to help the Titans. Boone acquires the position over Bill Yoast (Will Patton), the white assistant coach of more seniority and experience with the Titans.

Clinging to their honor for the game and each other, Boone and Yoast struggle to form an interracial football team that can share respect, friendship and victory. They begin to build a successful team at football camp. Initially, the players refuse to interact, but after Boone wakes them up at three o'clock in the morning to take them for a long run to the Gettysburg Graveyard, they realize the importance of winning-not for football, but for unity.

Once they achieve unity, they excel in football. White Team Captain Gerry Bertier (Ryan Hurst) becomes best friends with African American teammate Julius Campbell (Gerry Bertier). With time and an honest effort to maintain this unity on and off the field, the Titans also unite their own divided community.

The inspirational intensity of this movie is fueled by the best on-screen performances this year. Denzel Washington triumphs by not overplaying the demanding, militant high-school football coach. He plays Boone the father, husband, coach, citizen and friend with a very raw display of faith, focus and force.

Washington's efforts are enhanced by the dramatic on-screen bonding of Wood Harris and Ryan Hurst. Together, they redefine friendship and leadership by not only overcoming their own ignorance, but also by challenging the ignorance of their families, closest friends and peers. As they steer the Titans toward every touchdown, they touch the viewers with their brilliant portrayal of true brotherhood.

Donald Faison, Kip Purdum and Craig Kirkwood compliment the drama with a hilarious blend of soul-singing, goofy dances, close male bonding and priceless "yo' momma" jokes. Adding to their comic relief is young Hayden Panettiere as Sheryl Yoast, Assistant Coach Bill Yoast's nine-year old daughter. She responds to football more passionately than the coaches and fans as she rants and raves along the sideline of every practice, game, warm-up and meeting. Interestingly, she knows the game.

Director Boaz Yakin and Producer Jerry Bruckheimer have created the best 113 minutes of cinematography this year. *Remember the Titans* has viewers laughing and crying. EVERYONE must see this movie! When looking back at the movies of 2000, *Remember the Titans* will be remembered first.

## New club offers gangster theme

By Kendra McClymonds  
A&E EDITOR

Are there any gangsters in New Castle? Well, probably not, but the people at Wise Guyz, the area's newest dance club, seem to think so.

Wise Guyz, located in downtown New Castle, opened the doors to its Italian gangster-themed décor this past June. Prior to the establishment of this new restaurant/bar/night club, Italian owner John Volani owned another bar elsewhere in this area.

"When this property went up for sale, John jumped at the chance to have a new bar. His old one was a hole in the wall," Manager Johnny Presner said. Presner, who also doubles as bartender, went on to explain the reasoning behind the gangster theme.

"We love the classic gangster movies. You know, *The Godfather*, *Goodfellas*," Presner said. "We had to include Frank Sinatra too. So, we thought of calling the place 'Gangsters,' but that seemed too tough. So we just decided on Wise Guyz with a 'z'."

The red and black booths, bar stools and walls, the framed black and white pictures of

Sinatra, DeNiro and Brando and the mirrored walls surrounding the dance floor all add to the atmosphere.

Regardless of décor, the place is pretty cool. It's only 15 minutes from campus and anyone can go for the great food. Their menu features the usual appetizers and finger-foods, many different sandwich combos for \$5.50, and a variety of steak and chicken salads.

Students over 21 are encouraged to show up on Wednesday nights for the weekly "College Nite," where girls get in free and guys pay a cover of \$3. There's always a DJ on this, and every Friday and Saturday night, allowing patrons to dance under a setup of colored lights, disco balls and a fog machine. Yep, they've gone all out. Wise Guyz is definitely giving Chad Hanna's, the other dance club in New Castle, a run for its money.

To get to Wise Guyz from campus, take Rt. 18 (a.k.a. Wilmington Road) all the way into downtown New Castle. Turn left at the center circle. Go about 3 blocks and turn left again. It is near a Pizza Joes and a Napa auto parts store. For more directions call 652-7737.

## Campus and town offer many Halloween activities Trick-or-treating in town on Oct 28

By Megan Clark  
STAFF WRITER

Many activities are being planned for Halloween weekend. The Borough will hold trick-or-treating from 3:30-4:30 on Sat., Oct. 28. A Halloween Parade starting at 6 p.m., featuring bands and floats, will be sponsored by the Kiwanis Club. Tickets will also be sold at this time for the cake walk, a New Wilmington tradition, in which the winner truly takes the cake.

Halloween on the Hill, a college tradition, will again be held this year at Hillside Residence Hall on Sun., Oct. 29 from 8-10 p.m. There will be games, food, and possibly a DJ. A raffle for gift certificates and merchandise from local businesses will also take place near the end of the evening.

Sunday afternoon, the Alpha Gamma

Delta and Sigma Kappa sororities will hold a fall philanthropy event for Wilmington Area and Westminster students from 1-3 p.m. in the Amphitheater. There will be booths, hay rides, bobbing for apples and s'mores. Tentatively scheduled for Sun., Mon. and Tues. nights, Alpha Sigma Phi will be hosting a "Haunted House" in their fraternity house of Waugh Ave. Donations of \$2 or \$3 will be accepted at the door, a portion of which will go to the New Wilmington Volunteer Fire Dept. Costumed brothers will guide patrons through decorated rooms where more brothers will be waiting to assure all who enter a frightening night.

Finally, residents of Galbreath, Brown, Shaw and Jeffers residence halls are asked to have some treats ready Halloween evening. Children of the faculty are invited to go trick-or-treating in those halls at 7 p.m.

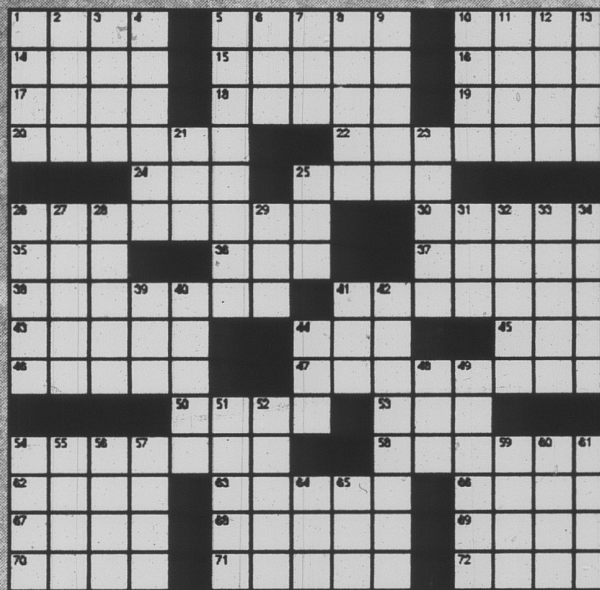


**Across**

- 1- Scheme  
5- Annual horse race in England  
10- Slide  
14- City in W Nevada  
15- Carries  
16- King mackerel  
17- Cereal food  
18- Ridge  
19- River in central England  
20- Slum area inhabited by a minority group  
22- Wearing  
24- Nocturnal bird  
25- Too  
26- Nobleman  
30- Horselike African mammal  
35- Self  
36- Terminal digit of the foot  
37- Register  
38- Gave light  
41- Opponent of new technologies  
43- Sound  
44- Even (poet.)  
45- And not  
46- Warble  
47- Impertinent  
50- Son of Isaac and Rebekah  
53- Frozen water  
54- Close range photograph  
58- Red dye  
62- Rent  
63- Serious wrongdoing  
66- The villain in Othello  
67- Mountain range  
68- Competitor  
69- Shut with force  
70- Public walk  
71- Mournful poem  
72- Conceal

**Down**

- 1- Forage  
2- Wife of Jacob  
3- Poker stake  
4- Algae  
5- Complete  
6- Become firm  
7- Automobile  
8- Bay window  
9- Former Russian rulers  
10- Great quantity  
11- Son of Jacob and Leah  
12- Metallic element  
13- Stink  
21- Twain  
23- Seeped  
25- Consumed  
26- Full of veins  
27- Eskimo dwelling  
28- Not hollow  
29- Incline head  
31- Conclusion  
32- Salt water  
33- Rotating member  
34- Wide  
39- Exploit  
40- Confused hand  
41- Meadow  
42- Improbable  
44- Large flightless bird  
48- Very skilled person  
49- Suffer destruction  
51- Monetary unit of Ecuador  
52- Fourth month  
54- Pal  
55- Monetary unit of Italy  
56- Spoken  
57- Exchange for money  
59- Republic in W Africa  
60- Mild oath  
61- Unspecified in number  
64- I have  
65- Magazine




## HOROSCOPES

**ARIES**

Your energy level will rise and provide you with the confidence you need. You may want to use it to help others. You'll be able to persuade others to share the responsibilities as well as reap the rewards of their labor.

**TAURUS**

Praise this week will come from unexpected sources. Logic and magic have nothing to do with each other. Let events wash over you now, and explain it all later in any way that makes sense. Find and maintain your natural rhythm.

**GEMINI**

This week's scenario is highlighted by your public image, which remains very high for the rest of this month. You can't find concerns more basic than health, school and family. You may be in need of a dose of positive energy to raise your self-image.

**CANCER**

Feelings are everything right now. Great discretion on your part may be required if you want to keep the peace.

**LEO**

Socializing at this time will help increase your chance for romantic encounters. You're full of energy and forever doing things that are unusual, interesting and creative. Enjoy your good luck.

**VIRGO**

Take time to review the facts carefully. If you are honest in your assessment, you'll understand that the fault did not lie completely with you. If you don't understand something, ask more questions.

**LIBRA**

Your precision and organization will inspire others to follow your lead. Your communication and intuitive skills are very strong, so use them. Just be yourself.

**SCORPIO**

Your strong emotions are apparent to you. Your overly sensitive nature may tend to confuse people. You might understand, but you're not quite ready to publish your findings. Trust that your instincts are on target.

**SAGITTARIUS**

Your best chance for success is to remain quiet and let the situation unfold before you. Take a step back and watch the situation develop from a distance. Accept your human foibles, but concentrate on your true gifts and creative powers.

**CAPRICORN**

You need to make an effort to adjust to your own demands. Others may try to give you more than your share of the load. Learn to say no, especially if you're tired and need rest.

**AQUARIUS**

Some situations this week could be very beneficial to you, but you may be tempted to zig when you should zag. Don't let your jokes get out of hand. People will definitely remember you, but it could be for all the wrong reasons.

**PISCES**

Keep your eye on your goals, but take precautions. Show your leadership and avoid overly aggressive behavior. Your sensitivity may come in handy when it comes to an appeal to others for aid.

## Boardman, OH

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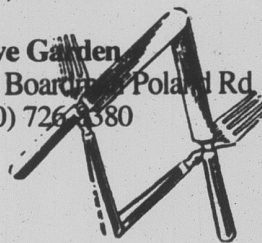
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# OPINION

## Rant and Rave

"My room is infested with ladybugs. I have about thirty of them crawling all over my windows and ceiling. I don't know what is sadder - that I'm paying so much money a year to live with bugs, or that I've named them all and adopted them as pets."

"Since when does the school hire security guards that are younger than some of the students?"

"I love that when I hold the door open for people they say thank you."

"Good job Argo staff! The yearbook looks awesome."

"The conveyor belt in the cafeteria moves too darn slow."

"The squirrels are rabid. They are chasing back. Beware!"

"I think that it is ridiculous that our college claims to have been named one of the most wired colleges on its official website, when we have the slowest internet speed and capabilities of any college that I have spoken to people about. We pay all this money to come to this school, and they cannot afford to supply us with a fast connection? If anyone can explain this to me I'd love to hear it."

"Why are there fruit flies in the juice at the cafeteria? Is it really that hard to clean the machine out?"

"Where the heck is our new track?"

Rants and Raves may be phoned in to the Holcad at EXT 7224 or sent via email at [holcad@westminster.edu](mailto:holcad@westminster.edu)

## OUR VIEW: School Spirit

It's almost a let down.

After the Homecoming parade, the activities and the big football game, it's disappointing that the campus once again has gone back to not supporting the sports teams.

What's even more frustrating is that our teams are actually winning games. And yet, the stands remain just as empty as they did last year.

The students at Westminster College in no way epitomize the term "school spirit." It's almost a joke to walk into many sporting events, especially the women's teams, where there are more visiting fans than home team fans.

An important part of every sports game is the crowd that stands behind them and cheers them on. A team that is well supported is more likely to succeed. Also, schools that have large amounts of school spirit will attract more perspective students because they see that the current students have pride in their school.

One of the causes of the lack of excitement and support at Westminster's sports games is that in the past we have not played any schools with which we were big rivals. We have played teams from West Virginia to Michigan and many schools in Ohio. Some of the teams have been from Slippery Rock or Thiel, but for some reason, these never quite brought on a rivalry big enough to mean a big showing of student attendance.

However, this year, with the change to Division III, we have begun to play colleges that are closer, such as Geneva and Grove City. Both of these have the potential to become big rivals because of their loca-

tions and the history of competition each school has with Westminster.

Though many students are lacking in their personal pride for our sports teams, the administration should be given credit for their attempts to encourage participation and school unity.

In fact, this year President Williamson and President Moore of Grove City College have placed a wager on the game. The two presidents have decided to exchange school ties and the losing school's president has to wear the opposing school's tie to their next Board of Trustees meeting.

The two schools have not played each other in 17 years. This could have been one of the chances to encourage school spirit; it's a game that many students might drive 20 minutes to Grove City to see. However, for this big rivalry game, most of the students will be enjoying family time at home, as the game falls over Fall Break.

Surely, this conflict was not a purposeful one, but simply a coincidental inconvenience. However, we need to purposely establish rivalries so that we can hopefully

encourage more students to attend events.

Other tactics can be used to encourage participation such as organized tailgate parties, more active advertisement of upcoming games and pep rallies.

What's important though, is that students, athletes or not, understand that the teams need support. The administration is laying the path, the students need to follow suit.

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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Three cheers for last weeks (10/13/00) "Our View: Dumbing down Classes." I thoroughly support your two-fold solution to the problem of too much academic underachievement. As you say, professors need to make classes interesting and get students to think while students need to take their share of responsibility by "actually putting some effort into their work and keeping the complaining to a minimum when a professor attempts to engage them in a challenging assignment that will teach skills they might find helpful in the future." Yes, Yes, Yes! How well put!

If these two sides, professor and student, share the common goal of creating an academic environment, intellectual discovery is sure to follow. In such an environment students will witness two other positive developments. As many of my students have noticed, I get very enthusiastic when I see them engaged in learning. My own mental juices begin to flow more vigorously when I see the students care. I become more creative in the classroom and truly energized in my teaching. Secondly, since we professors are not only working to teach skills for the work place but are engaged in training the students' minds for all kinds of cerebral work these mental calisthenics are guaranteed to produce a mind that can face many of life's varied challenges.

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"It was nice to win a game by ten goals because it gave the freshmen players on the team an opportunity to get some time on the field," junior forward Katelyn Domin said.

Among the freshmen that did see time on Tuesday were Alyssa Pyle, Michelle Chovan and Megan Chovan who each scored single goals. The Lady Titans looked to be ready for Saturday's

game against Grove City.

Titans traveled to Grove City Oct. 14 for what would be their next PAC victory, beating GC 4-1.

Ashley Pyle led the Titans with an assist and two goals, two goals that put her at the top of the leader board for most goals on the team. She now has 14 goals on the season.

Krone and Tempalski scored the other two goals in the Titan win.

Morrison had a stellar performance in goal, again, stopping 15 out of 16 shots.

"We are a little disappointed in the competition of the other teams in the Presidents' Athletic Conference," said junior Heidi Vogt, "They are not a true measure of how good our team is." The Titan kickers prepare to host Washington and Jefferson Oct. 17.



Photo by Courtney Behm

Erin Chittock clears a ball downfield. The Lady Titans remain undefeated in the PAC.

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**HALLOWEEN PARADE**, Saturday, Oct. 28, early lineup is scheduled at 5 p.m. in the Sky Bank parking lot. Parade begins at 5:30 p.m. Don't miss this 52nd annual event.

**ART SHOW AND AUCTION**, Saturday, Oct. 28, preview begins at 7 p.m. and auction at 8 p.m. at McGill Community Center in New Castle. The event is sponsored by the American Business Women and proceeds will benefit its scholarship fund. Tickets are \$10 or two for \$15. For more information, contact Lynn Foltz at ext. 7173.

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# Calendar of Events

## FRIDAY 20

Last Meal Before Break (Board Plan): LUNCH  
Volleyball @ University of Chicago Invitational  
11:40 a.m. Chapel  
2:00 p.m. TUB Grill Closes for Break  
6:00 p.m. RESIDENCE HALLS CLOSE FOR FALL BREAK

## SATURDAY 21

MID-SEMESTER BREAK  
Volleyball @ University of Chicago Invitational  
All Day Piano Sale - Orr Lobby  
10:00 a.m. Cross Country @ Grove City  
12:30 p.m. Women's Soccer @ West Virginia Wesleyan  
1:30 p.m. Football @ Grove City  
3:00 p.m. Men's Soccer @ Ohio Valley (WV)

## SUNDAY 22

MID-SEMESTER BREAK  
All Day Piano Sale - Orr Lobby  
1:00 p.m. Women's Soccer @ Shepherd (WV)

## MONDAY 23

MID-SEMESTER BREAK

## TUESDAY 24

MID-SEMESTER BREAK  
First Meal After Break (Board Plan): DINNER

2:00 p.m. RESIDENCE HALLS OPEN FOLLOWING BREAK

4:30 p.m. TUB Grille Open After Break

5:30 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Microsoft Word for Windows, Intermediate Level — PH 214

## WEDNESDAY 25

### CLASSES RESUME

11:15 a.m. Faculty Forum: Dorita Bolger and Molly Spinney, "Using Electronic Journals, Databases, and Indexes" — PH 131

2:00 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Mercyhurst (H)

4:00 p.m. Men's Soccer vs. Bethany (H)

6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House

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4:30 p.m. Student Publications Board Meeting — Old Main 308

5:30 p.m. Phi Sigma Tau Meeting — PH 116

6:00 p.m. Residence Advisor Continuous Training Meeting - Hillside Lobby

6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House

7:00 p.m. Black Student Union Meeting — PH 231

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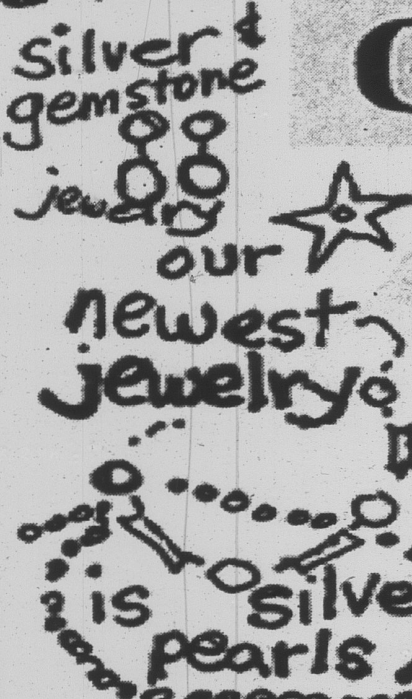
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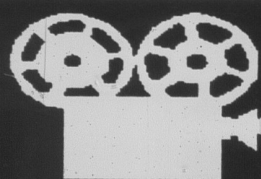
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## Voting encouraged by new trends



By Jon McKay  
STAFF WRITER

On November 5, 1996, 96 million people made their way to the polls to vote for the next President of the United States. Although 96 million is a large number, voter turnout for that year was eight million people lower than the turnout for the previous presidential election in 1992. For the first time in more than 70 years, less than half the eligible electorate voted in a presidential election.

In the 1998 congressional elections, that trend continued. Just 36 percent of the electorate voted, down from 39 percent in 1994, the previous off-year congressional election. These figures point to an even smaller voter turnout next week.

The major problem with low voter turnout is the misrepresentation of the American population. The more people that vote, the more accurately the elected officials represent the entire public. Many new tactics are appearing this year to increase voter registration and turnout.

The World Wrestling Federation launched

the "Smackdown Your Vote" campaign, which resulted in over 20,000 people registering to vote. Using such superstars as The Rock, the WWF succeeded in increasing voting awareness in the most politically apathetic generation in centuries, Americans age 18-25.

Even without using professional wrestlers and the word "smackdown," the state of Oregon is gathering national attention for its all-mail election. In a process similar to the census, ballots are mailed to all registered voters in the state weeks before the election.

Voters fill out the ballots in their own homes, and then drop them off at voting stations. Oregon experimented with this system in the spring primary, experiencing an incredible 70 percent turnout.

Dr. James Rhoads, a political science professor, believes this system has the potential to spread in the near future. "Reforms like this always seem to start out West," he said.

Another hot issue this election is the notion of electronic voting. Internet users in the year

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## Students ponder election issues

By Sarah Lohr  
STAFF WRITER

With three debates down and Election Day less than a week away, it's time to weigh the issues and cast a vote for president.

Important issues on campus range from social security to gun control, on both ends of the spectrum, but participation is lacking.

A main issue for students is education. "State and federal governments are putting money into the wrong places," sophomore Caryn Nicholson said, "and I don't think that's fair."

Junior Brad Linn said he was also concerned for the education of younger generations and the quality of teachers and testing standards.

Along the lines of education, a hot topic this year is school vouchers. Senior Kim Bartley was a Legislative Assistant to State

Representative Daryl Metcalfe (PA) this summer.

Through her internship, she learned about a program in the Milwaukee school system in which money from the vouchers was actually being returned to the city's public schools, since the private schools were managing money so efficiently.

"Vouchers should be made available," Bartley said. "Public schools are failing, (and) we need to give parents a choice."

Another important issue is social security. Sophomore Chris Nave claims "[the candidates] try to show an interest, but they don't because we don't vote." He said that candidates tend to gear campaigns toward senior citizens by addressing issues such as Medicare and Social Security because they affect that public.

Bartley agrees with Nave.

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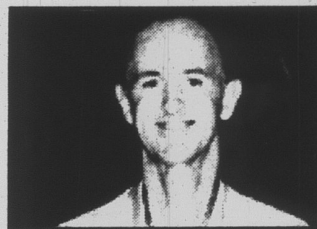
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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Visitation Day hopes to attract students to campus

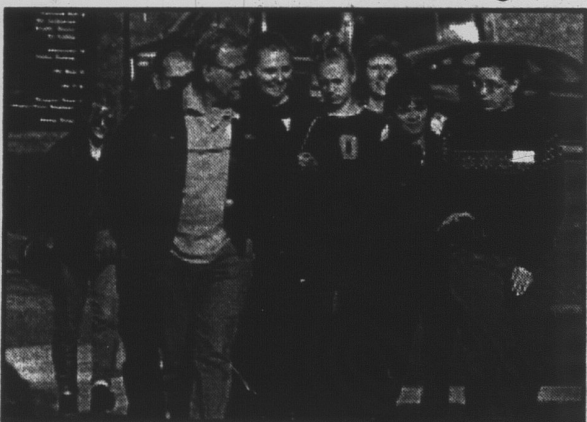


Photo by Courtney Behm  
Campus tours are one way to attract students to the college.

By Melissa Batulis  
STAFF WRITER

Prospective students often choose a college based upon a visit of the campus. This semester, the college will hold two campus visitation days, the first on Oct. 28, and the second on Nov. 10. While prospective students visit and tour the campus every day, the two dates designated as campus visitation days offer a more in-depth look at the college. For the staff at the Admissions Office, campus visitation day (or CVD as it is called around the office) requires a great

deal of effort.

Admissions Data Coordinator Linda Hilton explained the CVD process.

"Planning begins in early August when 16 to 17 thousand invitations are sent to high school students. Those who are interested in participating send back their reservations and then we send them information packets on Westminster and the area," Hilton said.

Based on the responses she received, Hilton expects 192 students and parents to visit the campus on Oct. 28. Those who attend will have a busy schedule. The day begins with registration, followed by a performance by the music ensemble and a welcome by President Williamson. Students and parents then separate for a while and attend different sessions on student life and financial aid. The groups come back together for a tour, the fac-

ulty fair and finally lunch.

Students who choose to visit the campus on Nov. 10 have the opportunity to spend the night with a host student. Activities planned for the overnight visit include dinner in the dining hall, an ice cream social, meeting alumni and the musical "Anything Goes."

Student hosts will volunteer their time and welcome prospective students as their guests for the evening.

"I enjoy the chance to share my college experience. I like being able to help make someone's college choice a little easier, and it's also a lot of fun," sophomore host Stephanie Yingling said.

"It's a great opportunity to stay overnight and we anticipate to have more students involved," Hilton said.

## Vandalism and theft top the campus crime rate list for 1999

By Linda M. Sestric  
STAFF WRITER

The Department of Safety and Security has helped to keep the crime rate low on campus. Staffed by a security supervisor, two full-time and 3 part-time uniformed security officers, the school has had only 54 reported crimes so far this calendar year.

Among these 54, 18 were due to vandalism, the most reported crime. Examples of the types of vandalism were broken windows, overturned trashcans and graffiti in various places on the campus.

The second highest reported crime was theft, and the majority of objects stolen were minor, including a portrait, a vase and some toilet paper. There were few cases of more valuable objects stolen, such as computers.

"The vast majority of crime is petty crime," John Lechner, assistant dean for student affairs and public safety said. "We don't get much big crime."

Incidents reported in the year 1999 were

low, especially in areas of violent crime. There were no incidents reported in the areas of homicide, manslaughter, rape, forcible sex, robbery, aggravated crime, arson, auto theft, prejudice, drug abuse, weapon possession and disorderly conduct.

The liquor law had no offenders in 1999, as compared to 44 in 1998. Only one burglary was reported, in contrast to 11 in 1998. A drop in vandalism occurred, also, with 30 incidents in 1998 and only 17 in 1999. There was a rise in the number of thefts, with 34 in 1999 as opposed to only six in 1998. In 1999, 11 of the thefts and six of the vandalisms reported occurred in residence halls.

Students have differing opinions as to whether or not these statistics are correct. "The amount of incidents reported so far this year sounded high at first, but considering the number of people we have on campus, that kind of activity is bound to happen," junior Melinda Niznik said. "Knocking over trash cans isn't really as serious as other crimes that could be happening, such as rape."

On the other hand, some students believe that there may be more crime than is reported. "I think that the numbers are probably fairly accurate, but there are also probably incidents where crimes aren't reported," Nikki Voit, a junior business administration major said.

A Campus Security Incident Log is available in the office of John Lechner, where every incident is reported. "The statistics are as truthful as I can make them," Lechner said. "I wouldn't have it any other way."

The Department of Security and Safety employs various methods to protect the students. Located on the ground floor of TCF, it provides around-the-clock service and protection for the campus community. Anyone in need of assistance can dial EXT. 7777.

The security staff is responsible for locking all campus buildings when classes, meetings and special events are not taking place. The Physical Plant staff provides outdoor lighting, located in areas where students and employees generally spend a lot of their time.

A host student in every residence hall must

escort visitors of the opposite sex. The use and possession of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs and weapons is prohibited on campus. Finally, the New Wilmington Borough law enforcement is entitled to come on campus whenever there is need.

A service offered off-campus to provide supportive listening for students is the CONTACT E.A.R.S. HELPLINE, at (724) 9658-5529. Open 24 hours a day, it answers the calls of any individual in the Lawrence County area.

It is provided to help callers express their feelings and to offer non-judgmental support. Every call is anonymous and confidential. The volunteers at CONTACT E.A.R.S. can reassure, as well as help with feelings about suicide.

There are many precautions taken, on and off campus, to heighten the safety of the college community. "Overall, security and safety are good in helping to prevent crime on campus," Lechner said. "The crime rates show this."

## Coach earns second at Racquetball Nationals

By Laurel Miller  
STAFF WRITER

While Titan varsity teams busied themselves playing intercollegiate matches, professor and cross-country coach and Ron Galbreath competed in the National Racquetball Tournament in Baltimore, Maryland Oct. 5, 6 and 7. Galbreath took second place.

The tournament had between 600 and 700 entries. The tournament ran from Oct. 4-8; Galbreath's group began competition on the fifth. He participated in the 55-60 and 60-64 age groups. He and his partner were among 30 others battling for the win.

Galbreath has been playing racquetball since 1974; he has won three times on a national level. Racquetball is like any other sport, requiring good physical fitness for those who want to succeed. Galbreath runs nearly everyday, lifts three times a week, and maintains a healthy diet.

Galbreath said, "To play competitively you need to be very physically fit."

Galbreath assimilated racquetball to squash, handball and tennis. Racquetball con-

sists of 3 sets to 15 points. You must serve to score points.

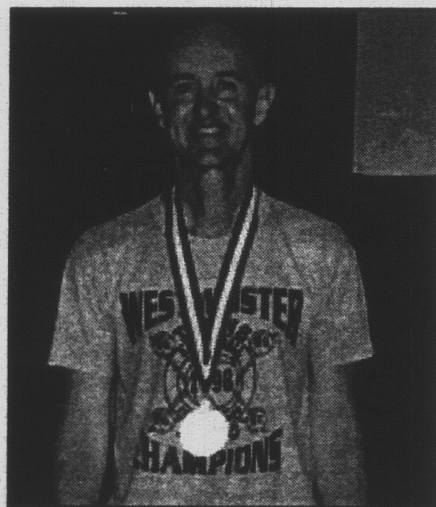
Galbreath has devoted 26 years to the game, playing every chance he gets and loving every minute of it. He appreciates the support he's received from the college and his family.

"I love the game and competing," Galbreath said. "I thank the college for letting me train and play and help keep up my competition level. Thank you to my wife and God; without these three things I would not be able to do it."

Galbreath also plays tennis and is a professor of inquiry and health and coaches men's cross-country here. The students at Westminster are proud of Galbreath and his accomplishment.

Sophomore Kate Budicak said of Galbreath, "He is such a great person he goes out of his way to talk to those students whom he doesn't even know. I greatly appreciate his kindness."

Coach Galbreath has been playing racquetball in 1974. During his 26 years on the courts he and his doubles partner have won 3 times. Racquetball requires the players to be in



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Ron Galbreath

great physical condition. "To play competitively you need to be very physically fit" said coach Galbreath. To keep himself as physically fit he runs, lifts 3 times a week and watches what he eats and drinks.

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# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Pitt's school spirit marks beginning of changes

By Bill Schackner  
POST-GAZETTE

So rare was the sight of a University of Pittsburgh jacket on Downtown streets five years ago that whenever Chancellor Mark Nordenberg spotted someone wearing one, he said, "I thought it had to be somebody I knew."

How times change.

Nordenberg announced last night that Pitt has collected \$356.6 million toward its goal of raising half a billion dollars. And as he addressed one of the school's largest celebra-

tions, and tallied up millions in new gifts, he no doubt saw plenty of devotees in the crowd willing to wrap themselves in Pitt's blue and gold.

Maybe it's the result of enrollment growth since 1995, or the fact that its Big East football team finally has a winning record. Or, it may be the idea of seeing Pitt's 42-story signature building, the Cathedral of Learning, bathed in a high-tech light show and fireworks display that culminated a weekend celebration to mark the fund drive's public launch.

Whatever the reason, the mood on campus seemed a far cry from just a few years ago. A

school that staggered its way through a series of setbacks and controversies in the 1990s appeared to be regaining some of its swagger.

"I think there is a new spirit at the university. There is a new feeling of excitement," Nordenberg said. "We're moving in the right direction and we're moving fast."

It's a reason to celebrate, he said. But, Nordenberg added, it's also cause for

Pitt and its leaders to think seriously about how they plan to capitalize on the school's growing sense of confidence and its newfound wealth.

The fund drive publicly launched last night

will run through June 2003.

Already, tens of millions of dollars in major donations raised during its "quiet phase" have changed the campus landscape.

The gifts are helping pay for a \$70 million convocation center and 2,500-seat basketball arena rising on the former Pitt Stadium site, as well as a \$35 million academic complex being built on Forbes Avenue.

School leaders hope that by the campaign's end, Pitt will be able to plan for a new biomedical research tower. They also hope to find a donor for whom the school's landmark Masonic Temple can be renamed.

## Regional Briefs

### Free trees offered to new members

Ten free trees will be given to each person joining The National Arbor Day Foundation during October. The trees - a scarlet oak, sweetgum, red oak, silver maple, white dogwood, Washington hawthorn, two sugar maples and two red maples - are a part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign. To receive membership and the free trees, send \$10 to: Autumn Classic Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410. Membership donations must be received by Tuesday.

### Driver, 14, critical after car hits tree

A 14-year-old motorist from Clarion County was critically injured Sunday when the car she was driving plowed into a tree, state police said. Tory Wensel of Sligo was driving the car shortly after 1 p.m. yesterday when it slammed into a tree along Banner Road in Paint Township, just north of Shipperville, troopers said. Wensel, who had to be cut from the wreckage by rescue workers, was flown to Mercy Hospital, Uptown, where she was in critical condition last night, a nursing supervisor said. A passenger, Adam Hartle, 18, of Clarion, was flown to Allegheny General Hospital, North Side, where he was in fair condition last night. Neither of the teens was wearing a seat belt, troopers said.

### Worker killed in mine accident

A Washington County man was fatally injured early Sunday in an accident at Consol Energy Inc.'s Bailey Mine that mines coal in Washington and Greene counties. Jeffrey Cunko, 50, of Welsh Road, Washington, was flown to UPMC Presbyterian hospital, Oakland, where he died of groin injuries and a lacerated femoral artery, a spokesman for the Allegheny County Coroner's Office said. Cunko, a maintenance foreman with 15 years' experience in the mines, was injured at 12:35 a.m. in the mine, which has a portal in West Finley Township, Washington County. Cunko was working inside a coal storage area and adjusting a chain on a piece of equipment that moves the coal when a piece of metal flew off

the machine and struck him, Consol spokeswoman Sandy Hamm said.

### Woman dies after being hit by train

A McKean woman in Halloween costume was killed by a train early Saturday, authorities said. Heidi Reed, 21, was wearing a bride's costume when she was hit by the train in Erie shortly after 3 a.m., Erie County Coroner Lyell Cook said. Reed was with three friends who also were in costume. A man in the group hopped on a slow-moving train, and Reed also may have tried to board the train, Cook said. She fell under the car and was dragged about 200 feet, he said.

## Weird News

### Slightly off center... Baby deja vu

CHICAGO - A cab driver dropped off a passenger and drove away with a 3-year-old in the back seat - only a few days after another child took a similar trip. The latest incident occurred when a woman said she got out of a cab holding her infant daughter, and told the cab driver she would return for her 3-year-old son and other belongings, but the cab drove off, police said. The cab was tracked down to Midway Airport and the child was reunited, unharmed, to his mother. A few days before, a cabbie was ticketed after driving off with a dozing 3-year-old in the back of his cab. The parents were busy unloading luggage and were confused over who had the child.

### The wrong place to rob

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. - Two men accused of breaking into a garage and stealing tools may have gotten away with it - had it not been at the home of the police chief. Ryan Sommers, 20, and John Langbehn, 19, were arrested after they allegedly took a chain saw, sander and toolbox from Police Chief Jerry Galvin's garage. Both men were each jailed on \$1,000 bail.

### Cops say grandma ran pick-pocket ring

BOYNTON BEACH, Fla. - An arthritic grandmother allegedly ran a family pick-pocket ring from a wheelchair for 10 years, teaching her children and grandson tricks of the trade and taking in as much as \$50,000 per day. Ernestine Williams, her children Timothy Butts, 42, and Tomeka Williams, 31, and grandson Jessie Williams, 19, were arrested on charges of racketeering and conspiracy to racketeer. Ernestine Williams, 63, dispatched her 15-person crew to pilfer credit cards and checks from elderly shoppers in retail stores from Miami to Atlanta, according to a 2-year investigation conducted by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the Palm Beach Sheriff's Office.

### Elementary crime and punishment

AKRON, Ohio - Jamie L. Vannostran, 22, got off light for obstruction of justice after writing - 100 times - "I will not lie to the police." "It was stupid," said Vannostran, arrested when the father of her three children - wanted by police - was found hiding in her attic. Municipal Court Judge Lynne Callahan sentenced Vannostran to 15 hours of community service, reduced by recommendation of prosecutor Brian Zwaig who assigned the

lines.

### Attempted burglary ends in sticky situation

HIALEAH, Fla. - A would-be burglar got stuck overnight inside a gunky restaurant ventilator, feet dangling above the stove. Gustavo Rivera, 39, was rescued - then arrested - after being stuck inside the grease-slicked shaft for eight hours with his arms outstretched and his legs dangling between iron security grates.

### Where not to park in Omaha

OMAHA, Neb. - Gary Jacobsen, owner of Movers Not Shakers, had a lunch date and found what seemed like an ideal parking space across the street from the cafe. He parked, turned on the hazard lights and left for his meeting. That was a problem: He had just abandoned a yellow rental truck at the curb outside a federal office building. Security guards, remembering the 1995 bombing of the Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City, ordered an evacuation of the building. After the confusion, Jacobsen found his ideal spot earned him a 30-minute lecture and a \$13 ticket, courtesy of Omaha police.

### It's just funny-colored paper

BARBASTRO, Spain - An 80-year-old merchant has recovered his savings after accidentally depositing \$95,000 in a trash bin in

northeastern Spain. Garbage collectors found a bag stuffed with peseta notes of various denominations and submitted it to town hall officials, police said. The elderly merchant arrived at the police station hours later to say he had accidentally discarded his savings the night before, thinking it was a bag of old bills and receipts. The man named the exact sum lost, was handed his stash and took the cash to a bank.

### Where did you get those tickets?

HOPATCONG, N.J. - A man helped himself to his neighbor's New York Giants tickets and is now facing a penalty on the play, police say. Police charged Edward Celardo, 33, with stealing four tickets to a football game between the Giants and the Dallas Cowboys. The tickets, valued at \$180, had been by mailed to Joann Koslosky by a friend. But the envelope was mistakenly left in Celardo's mailbox across the street. Police said Celardo kept two tickets and sold the other pair. Koslosky, who assumed her tickets had been lost in the mail, called the Giants box office and bought replacements. Koslosky questioned Celardo about the tickets when she saw him at the game and later called the police.



## NATIONAL

## Campus crime stats for higher education go online

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) - The government is putting campus crime statistics for 6,700 colleges and universities on the Internet, but making realistic comparisons among schools may be nearly impossible.

While the Education Department forced all institutions of higher education that receive federal funds to turn in crime figures, there is no national set of standards for how crimes are compiled or even defined.

For example, the Internet report on Ohio State University shows the Columbus campus reporting 179 burglaries in 1999.

Arizona State University's main campus in Tempe is about the same size but reported 355 burglaries 1999.

Is the Arizona school nearly twice as burglary prone as the one in Ohio? No one knows

for sure, said department spokeswoman Jane Glickman, because there are no national standards for campus crime reporting. Beyond that, she said, the department assumes, without checking, that reports are correct.

Reports from the Pratt Institute in New York City shows it is nearly crime-free, with no assaults, robberies, auto thefts or arsons in 1999. Fordham University, also in New York City, also reported no robberies.

The Department of Education has required campuses to report crimes for the past 10 years. It stipulates schools must disclose violent crimes, burglaries and auto thefts on campus and arrests for liquor, drug and weapons violations.

The law was amended in 1998 to require the reports be available on the Internet.

As of Tuesday, the deadline for schools to submit statistics for the last three years, information from 4,200 schools was posted, and data from other schools was in the process of being entered, Glickman said.

The Web site, <http://www.ope.ed.gov/security>, allows users to call up reports on colleges one at a time.

Corye Barbour, the U.S. Student Association's legislative director, acknowledged data was not consistent, but praised the Web site for making information available in one place.

Previously, students had to contact schools individually seeking the numbers.

"Statistics aren't foolproof, but reporting these numbers is a step in the right direction," Barbour said. "We really haven't come up

with a way to quantify how much violent crime students are experiencing, but this is a start."

The disclosure law was prompted by the 1986 murder of 19-year-old Jeanne Clery at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa. Fellow student Joseph M. Henry, who entered the dorm through security doors propped open by pizza boxes, was convicted and sentenced to death.

Clery's parents later learned that 38 violent crimes had not been made public in the three years before their daughter's murder.

In 1998, Congress toughened the law because of spotty compliance. Colleges now can be fined \$25,000 for each unreported crime.

## Location tracking allows benefits; raises concern

NEW YORK (AP) - Imagine walking by a Starbucks in an unfamiliar city. Your cell phone rings, and a coupon for coffee pops up on its screen, good only at that location.

How did your phone know you were even near that particular Starbucks? What else does it know about you?

Enter location tracking, coming to a mobile device near you. Features that one day can pinpoint your whereabouts to within the length of a football field raise enormous privacy concerns, but they also offer enormous benefits.

The challenge will be determining where to draw the line.

Consider a technology to be unveiled Monday. Called Digital Angel, a microchip

worn close to the body promises to record a person's biological parameters and send distress signals during medical emergencies.

But misused, these types of capabilities could amount to virtual stalking.

Cell phones, handheld devices, even car navigation systems will soon have detailed tracking abilities, if they do not already. Services could begin appearing within a year or so.

Much of the drive will come from a federal law that requires cell phones to identify callers' locations to speed 911 emergency responses. If the industry has to install expensive equipment anyway, why not use it also to make money?

"There's going to be a dramatic increase in

the amount of tracking that's made possible, in part by services they don't know they have," said Daniel J. Weitzner of the World Wide Web Consortium, which sets technical standards for the Web.

Such tracking will let someone visit a Web site and automatically get weather, movie showings or neighborhood restaurants, based on their current location. If they're lost, they will be able to ask for turn-by-turn directions. Those short of cash can be pointed to the nearest bank machine.

But if the information is stored, location tracking could result in a 24-hour-a-day record of a person's whereabouts.

So what if a divorce lawyer wants to check if someone's been cheating, or if a social ser-

vice agent wants to know how many times a person has visited a candy store with his child?

"You have to ask, 'Who gets how much information?'" said Jason Catlett, chief executive of Junkbusters Corp., a non-profit privacy monitoring group in Green Brook, N.J.

"Telephone records are routinely subpoenaed. They can be very intrusive, but far more intrusive is a complete log of your physical movement."

But companies looking to gain business from location tracking insist that the worst-case scenarios presented are impractical to implement in reality.

## NATIONAL BRIEFS

## Philly teachers reach deal, will work today

PHILADELPHIA - The city and its striking teachers reached a tentative agreement on a new contract before dawn Monday, allowing classes to proceed at the nation's seventh-largest school district Monday. The city and Philadelphia Federation of Teachers had worked since 2 p.m. Sunday to try to end the first teachers' strike in nearly two decades before it idled more than 210,000 students heading to classes Monday.

## Crippled Cole begins journey home

ADEN, Yemen - As a recording of the American national anthem played Sunday, the crippled USS Cole was towed out of the Aden port that had been a death trap for 17 of its sailors. The homeward-bound surviving crew stood at attention on the deck as two yellow tugboats steadily and slowly pulled the destroyer away. A white cloth had been removed from the 40-by-40-foot hole suspected terrorist bombers had blasted in the Cole's left side on Oct. 12. The blackened hole was visible from shore. The trip back to the United States is expected to take about five weeks.

## Search called off for toddler

SALT LAKE CITY - The search for 2-year-old Gage Wayment, who disappeared after his father left him in a truck at a hunting area Thursday, was called off late Sunday,

Helicopters had scanned the area, and police dogs and dozens of searchers on foot had covered a four-mile radius of the where the truck was parked, about 30 miles east of Salt Lake City. There is little chance the boy could have survived three nights of rain, snow and freezing temperatures.

## Families search for real 'Strangler'

BOSTON - The casualness of the voice comes through the tape made more than three decades ago. "I had her on the bed, and I did strangle her with my two hands like this here," Albert DeSalvo tells investigators about the murder of Mary Sullivan. Ascribed by history as the infamous "Boston Strangler," DeSalvo describes how he raped and murdered one of his 13 victims. Now, 36 years after DeSalvo's confession and 27 years after his death, his family has joined Sullivan's relatives in hoping DNA technology will prove their contention that DeSalvo was not the Boston Strangler.

## Small church receives \$60 million bequest

ST. MARYS, Ga. - Parishioners reacted with stunned silence when the Rev. Derek McAleer broke the news: A businessman who hadn't been to church in more than 20 years left the congregation \$60 million in his will. Warren Bailey, who owned 49% of the region's Camden Telephone died in July at 88. He did not attend church but made regular

donations of about \$100,000 per year.

Congregation members said the church should give some of the money away and invest the rest.

## Terminal evacuated after guard spots gun

BOSTON - Hundreds of passengers were ordered off flights and an American Airlines terminal was evacuated Monday after a security guard spotted a handgun in a carry-on bag at Logan International Airport. A Texas man carrying two unusable guns in his bag - an antique pistol with no working parts and a handgun with no ammunition - turned himself in to State Police, after more than 600 people were taken off planes and the area was searched by authorities, a Massport spokesman said. Police filed no charges, the spokesman said, because the man turned himself in. The guns were heirlooms the man was taking home after attending a family member's funeral in Maine, he said.

## Three fires scorch South Boston

BOSTON - As many as 50 people are homeless Sunday after an early morning blaze engulfed 11 triple-decker apartment buildings in South Boston. The fire, which led to minor injuries, was the third of the night in the same neighborhood. Its cause is not yet known. Volunteers are working to get victims food, clothing and permanent shelter.

## Authorities investigate trench collapse

RICHMOND, Texas - Authorities were trying to determine Sunday what caused a construction site trench to collapse, killing three workers. One man, Gerardo Sanchez Vasquez, 49, was pulled alive from the 14-foot mound of collapsed dirt but later died from his injuries. The three were working in the trench at a construction site about

30 miles southwest of Houston when the sides of the trench collapsed, burying them Saturday morning. Richmond Police Capt. George Paruch said the trench - about 16 feet deep and about 10 feet wide - had been braced to prevent such a collapse. Officials with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration and Richmond Police were investigating.

## Teen faces charges over alleged hit list

FLORENCE, Colo. - A 15-year-old boy faces charges of menacing and harassment for allegedly compiling a "hit list" of 20 names and threatening at least one schoolmate at Florence Christian School who was on the list. The boy, who was not identified, was ordered held on in-house detention until a court hearing and has been expelled from the school, police said. Police questioned the boy in early October after another student's mother reported the 15-year-old had threatened her son and another student.



## INTERNATIONAL

## Weather blamed for eight deaths in Western Europe

LONDON (AP) - A powerful storm barreled across western Europe on Monday, ravaging ancient oaks, grounding flights, cutting power to more than 100,000 homes and snarling traffic. At least eight people have been killed.

The Eurostar train service, linking London with Paris and Brussels, was out of commission, and France's famous high-speed trains limped along at half-speed, as winds gusting up to 90 mph tossed trees onto highways and rail lines.

Scores of flights were canceled at London's Heathrow airport - the world's busiest for international travel - and also at Gatwick outside London, Amsterdam's Schiphol Airport and Paris' Charles de Gaulle. British Airways alone had canceled 66 flights

out of Heathrow and 22 from Gatwick by midday.

One of London's leading tourist attractions, the Ferris wheel-like London Eye on the banks of the Thames, also was shut down.

On both sides of the English Channel, history took a beating from the bad weather. At Wolverhampton in central England, the storm wrecked an oak tree that was an offshoot of one used by Charles II to hide in after a battle debacle in 1651. In central Paris, a section of roof on the landmark 19th-century Madeleine church was in danger of collapsing, Europe 1 radio reported.

In the very heart of London, the winds pulled down three majestic trees along The Mall, the broad avenue leading to Buckingham Palace where so many royal

processions are held.

At Richmond Park, which contains remnants of a medieval forest, a 400-year-old oak toppled in the wind and rain. It was a youngster when King Charles I enclosed the 2,500-acre park within the grounds of his palace at the southwest edge of London in 1637.

Hundreds of homes in Wales and the south and west of England were flooded. In the southern village of Norton Fitzwarren, more than 2 feet of river water poured into the Cross Keys pub, surprising patrons and bartenders alike.

"One minute ... I looked out and it was pretty stormy and the next minute there was water up to the door," the pub's manager, Steve Roper, said.

The wild weather spawned a pair of torna-

does, a rarity in Britain. Both hit trailer parks on England's southern coast, one in the town of Bognor Regis late Saturday and a second early Monday in nearby Selsey.

British insurers fear destruction could top one of similar intensity in January 1990 that did \$3 billion worth of damage.

In Paris, city authorities closed 426 gardens and public squares, worried about debris and branches tossed by the high winds.

Some 80,000 households in northwest France were without electricity Monday afternoon, according to the state-run electric company, EDF.

Eight people - four in France, three in Britain and one in Ireland - died during the storms Sunday and Monday, mostly as a result of falling trees.

## INTERNATIONAL BRIEFS

## Barak wins temporary support

JERUSALEM - Beleaguered Prime Minister Ehud Barak won a reprieve for his minority government Monday, but violence persisted as scores of Palestinians were wounded by army fire and an Israeli died in Jerusalem - the first Israeli killed in the city since the recent violence began. Addressing a hostile parliament as it returned from recess, Barak said his hand was still stretched out in peace, but that he would not make concessions to the Palestinians under the threat of guns and stones. "There will be no reward for violence," he said.

## Car bomb in Spain kills three

MADRID, Spain - A car bomb exploded in a busy residential area during rush hour Monday, killing a Supreme Court judge, his bodyguard and driver in the deadliest attack blamed on the Basque separatist group ETA since it ended a 14-month cease-fire last December. Another 35 people were injured in the Madrid bombing. The judge, 69-year-old Jose Francisco Querol, worked for a military section of the court. Although no group claimed responsibility for the blast, Spanish politicians and news media immediately blamed ETA.

## Soldiers revolt as Fujimori solidifies power

LIMA, Peru - More than 50 soldiers disgusted with President Alberto Fujimori and the influence of former intelligence chief Vladimiro Montesinos staged a revolt Sunday, a day after Fujimori dismissed Peru's top three military leaders. The soldiers and three civilians took over and then abandoned a copper mining town south of Lima near the Chilean border. Fujimori met Sunday with the new head of the army and the chief of

Peru's joint armed forces to discuss the military uprising.

## Philippine president promises reforms

MANILA, Philippines - President Joseph Estrada, in response to allegations that he accepted more than \$8 million in illegal gambling payoffs and \$2.8 million from tobacco taxes, promised Monday to reform his government but insisted he would not resign over

a corruption scandal that has battered business confidence in the country. Estrada, in a nationally televised speech, asked that critics seeking his resignation allow the impeachment case against him to take its course. The House of Representatives is scheduled to begin considering the impeachment on Nov. 6, but the administration-dominated legislature is widely expected to reject it.

## Pinochet in hospital as court case opens

SANTIAGO, Chile - As former dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet is hospitalized with pneumonia, a Santiago court opened hearings Monday into whether his poor health should spare him from being prosecuted for human rights abuses. Pinochet, 84, is facing 177 criminal complaints stemming from his 1973-90 dictatorship. Pinochet was rushed to the hospital Saturday after complaining of severe back pains. Doctors diagnosed "acute pneumonia in his left lung," and he was being treated with antibiotics, said a spokeswoman for the Pinochet Foundation. The hearings were prompted by Pinochet's lawyers, who asked that he be allowed to undergo medical tests they say would show he is too sick to stand trial.

## Rockets accidentally launched from base

MOSCOW - Russian officials are trying to find one of four short-range rockets accidentally launched from a Siberian military base, news agencies and television reports said Monday. At least two people were injured during the accidental firing at a facility in the Kochenevo district of the Novosibirsk region, 1,750 miles east of Moscow, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

## Remains of presumed MIAs returned to U.S.

BANGKOK, Thailand - Laos has given the United States what are believed to be the remains of four Americans listed as missing in action during the Vietnam War, the state news agency reported Monday. The remains were handed over to U.S. officials Saturday in a ceremony at Wattay Airport in the Laotian capital, Vientiane, the KPL news agency said. They will be taken to the U.S. Army's Central Identification Lab in Hawaii for forensic tests.

## U.S. warned by North Korea regarding airspace invasion

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - North Korea warned the United States that it will exercise its "right of self-defense" if American military planes invade its airspace again, its official media said Sunday.

The U.S.-led U.N. Command apologized Saturday to North Korea for a brief accidental incursion of two U.S. military jets into the North's airspace during military exercises two days earlier.

The North will "closely watch the future movement of the U.S. military," unidentified military officials said at a border meeting with U.S. military officials.

"If the U.S. forces' side commits another military provocation ... the People's Army will have no option but to exercise the right of self-defense against the provocateurs," the North Korean officials said in remarks carried by the Korean Central News Agency, the North's overseas news outlet.

Both sides frequently accuse each other of crossing the border, the world's most heavily fortified with nearly 2 million troops on both sides.

The incursion came a day after Secretary of State Madeleine Albright ended a historic two-day visit to reclusive communist North Korea to improve ties.

The U.S. and South Korean militaries are conducting a 10-day exercise, called Foal Eagle, the biggest of several annual joint exercises. North Korea calls them war preparations.

American-led U.N. forces sided with South Korea against the North during the 1950-53 Korean War. About 37,000 U.S. troops are stationed in South Korea under a defense treaty.

The U.N. Command oversees the armistice that ended the war.

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## SPORTS

# Titan defense shuts down R.J. Bowers in a shut out

By Brian Najjar  
STAFF WRITER

In a game covered nationally by the media, the Titans stopped Grove City's R.J. Bowers from breaking the NCAA All Division career rushing record. Bowers entered the game needing 149 yards to break the NCAA All Division career rushing record. Westminster held him to a meager 61 yards, breaking his consecutive streak of 100-yard games. The Titans also shut down Grove City 23-0, handing the Wolverines their first shutout in 38 games.

"We didn't want to get totally involved with stopping R.J. It was a team type approach, that's just our tradition," said quarterback coach Sean Kelly. "All three parts of the team played well—offense, defense, and special teams."

It was the special teams that put the first Titan points on the board, when Jon McCartney chipped in a 32-yard field goal in the second quarter.

A 39-yard pass to Brian Lipiello from James Graham gave Westminster its first touchdown of the game. McCartney made

good on the extra point giving the Titans a 10-0 lead.

Another field goal by McCartney gave the Titans a 13-0 lead going into halftime.

Early in the third quarter, the Wolverines blocked a 25-yard field goal attempt to keep the score at 13-0.

Later in the third quarter, McCartney kicked in his third field goal of the game to up the Titans lead to 16-0.

The Titans burnt 7:44 off the clock and John Ciavarra rushed four yards for a touchdown and the Titans' final score of the game. McCartney made the extra point.

Grove City tried one last time to get on the board, but Cory Shaw intercepted the ball with 2:44 to play, ending the Wolverines' hopes of scoring.

"Our goal was to keep him on the sidelines, he (Bowers) can't score if he's standing on the sideline holding his helmet," said Kelly.

"The offense kept him off the field by controlling the clock and the defense stopped him on the field."

Senior Matt Martin said, "We were focused on the whole team and not just

Bowers reaching his record."

"All three parts of the Titans played a complete game, stopping the record is just icing on the cake."

The Titan offense did well with Ciavarra rushing for 143 yards. Graham completed 17-of-28 passes for 186 yards. Graham also rushed for 53 yards, a season high, and was named Offensive Titan of the Week.

Defensive back Joe Stamper was named Defensive Titan of the Week. He had six solo tackles, two assisted tackles, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery. The Titan defense hasn't allowed a single point in the past three games.

Adam Jones was named Special Teams Titan of the Week. He held for all the field goals and also did well returning punts.

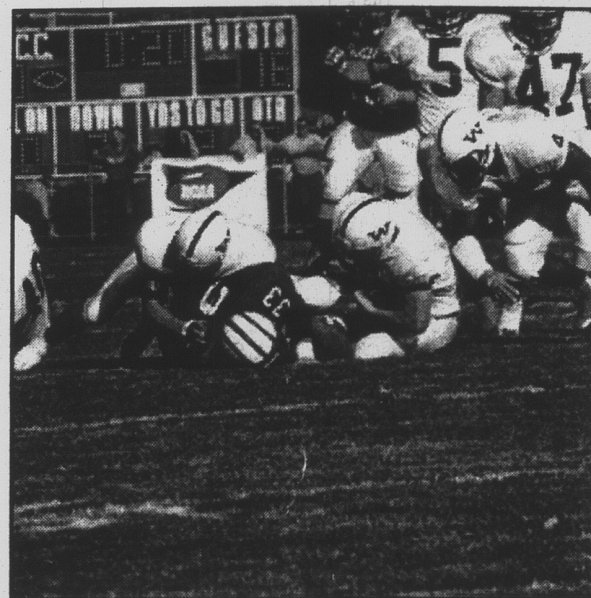


Photo by Courtney Behm

In one of many occasions, the Titan defense stops R.J. Bowers short of rushing to a NCAA record.

# Men's soccer defeats Thiel and Ohio Valley; falls to Bethany



Photo by Aly Karg

Sophomore James Green lines up a shot during the Titans win over Thiel.

By Brian Moorhead  
STAFF WRITER

The men's soccer team improved their record to 12-4-1 overall, 2-2 in the PAC the past weeks.

The Titan soccer team broke the school win record set by the 1997 team, punching out two consecutive wins against Thiel and Ohio Valley before falling to Bethany Oct. 25.

The Titans defeated Thiel 2-0 Oct. 18, and followed that with a 7-1 victory over Ohio Valley Oct. 21. These wins increased the Titan kickers' record to 11-3-1.

Westminster and Thiel played a scoreless first half before Westminster took control early in the second. Seven

minutes into the second half, sophomore forward Todd Fleckenstein scored a goal with an assist by freshman Brian Glass.

Six minutes later, Glass assisted freshman Todd Fisher in scoring another goal for the Titans. Junior goalkeeper James Houser made two saves for his fourth shutout of the season.

The Titans traveled to Ohio Valley College in a non-conference game.

Three different Titans each recorded two goals against Ohio Valley. Senior Matt Nichols and freshmen Matthew Roser, Todd Fisher all contributed to the Titan win. Fleckenstein added a single goal to bring Westminster to seven.

Senior Derek Baumgartner and sophomore Joe Brickner posted a pair of assists. Fleckenstein, sophomore Pasquale Reino, and freshman Scott Depasquale added single assists. Sophomore goalie Kevin Humberston made two saves for the Titans in the win.

Against Bethany, Westminster took an early 1-0 lead just three minutes into the

game, as Reino scored his team-leading 10th goal of the season off an assist by Baumgartner. It was Baumgartner's team-best 12th assist this year. However, Bethany rallied with a goal in the 28th minute to send the game to intermission tied 1-1, then scored the game-winning goal 15 minutes into the second half. Humberston had eight saves in the loss for Westminster.

The Titan men's soccer team will look to get back on track this Saturday, Oct. 28, as the Titan booters travel to face the University of Pitt-Johnstown in a non-conference game at 1 p.m.

After a scoreless first half, the lone goal of the game was scored by sophomore midfielder James Green in the 63rd minute off an assist by Baumgartner. Houser made four saves to earn the shutout in goal. Westminster held a 16-7 shot advantage and an 8-1 corner kick margin over UP-J.

Westminster men's soccer returns home this Monday, Sept. 30, as the Titans host PAC rival Waynesburg College at 3 p.m.

# Winter teams prepare for a new conference and division

By Justin DeCapua  
STAFF WRITER

Students participating in the 2000-2001 winter sports season will be competing in the NCAA Division III Presidents Athletic Conference (PAC) for the first time in school history.

A move to Division III will place this winter's basketball, swimming and indoor track teams in unfamiliar territory. Each team will have many new opponents on its schedule in addition to a different level of competition.

"We are finally on the same playing field as our opponents in regard to school size, money and practice facilities," said head women's basketball coach Jan Reddinger.

Reddinger will be leading the women's basketball team while Jim Dafler will return

as head coach for the men. Both teams will open their seasons Nov. 17.

"It's hard to tell what the transition to Division III will bring," Dafler said.

After posting a 14-25 record last season against Division II schools, the Titan men are optimistic regarding this year's Division III opponents.

"We won't be meeting the caliber of athletes as last year, but hopefully it will translate into more wins," said junior Ryan Oman.

The men's basketball team has five players returning as seniors along with one junior.

"We have a lot of experience due to the amount of guys we have back," Dafler said. "Any time a team doesn't have to put a player in a position they haven't played, it's a good thing."

As indoor track gets underway both men's

and women's teams will return veteran coaches this season. Back for his third year, Larry Ondako will head the Titan track team assisted by Garish Thakar.

In response to the growing interest in track and field and a strong list of returnees for each team, the campus plans to begin construction of a new all-weather track.

"As more students enter the program, and from the feedback from prospective students, it's apparent that we must expand our facilities to accommodate our athletic program," Thakar said.

Students participating in track and field this winter will be forced to travel to all matches due to the absence of a home facility in which to host events. Construction of the new track is scheduled to begin this year, with completion expected in time for the 2001-

2002 athletic season.

Under the direction of Robert Klamut and assistant coach Tammy Swearingen the men's and women's swimming teams began their first PAC season Oct. 27. Swimmers will enter the water this winter after posting 8-1 dual meet records last season.

Leading the men will be two-time All-American sophomore Jim Mann. For the women, sophomore Stefanie King will lead the way after becoming the first female qualifier for Division II championships in school history. King also is a two-time All American.

Titan swimmers will remain eligible for the NCAA Division II National Championships for the next two seasons while the entire athletic department undergoes a mandatory period of transition for the reclassification into Division III.



# NFL in trouble Three women's sports added in 2001

Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Denver Broncos are having trouble, on and off the field. At the current time, their record stands at 4-4, but the legal problems their team has faced this year have outweighed their losses. Most recently, quarterback Brian Griese was arrested on the suspicion of driving under the influence. In a rare move of responsibility from an NFL player, Griese stated at a two-minute news conference that he takes complete responsibility for his actions.

Griese, 25, was stopped by a state patrol officer for speeding at about 7:30 p.m. Sat. in the southern suburbs of Denver. A patrol spokesperson said Griese was driving 80 mph in a 65 mph zone but was not weaving. He failed roadside sobriety and breathalyzer tests and was taken to a detoxification facility. Griese's blood-alcohol content was above the 0.10-percent legal limit, but the patrol officer would not be more specific.

Griese said he had "a couple of drinks" at dinner with a friend Saturday night. "On my way home, I was pulled over for speeding — not reckless driving but speeding — and subsequently charged with a DUI," he said.

"It's an unfortunate situation for me, but I understand the seriousness of the charges and I'm going to take full responsibility for it because that's just the way that I am. I'm going to stand up, take whatever I'm going to receive and take it as a man and go on from there. Hopefully, by taking that responsibility, I might be able to bring some awareness to some people that the law doesn't discriminate between people that are out all night drinking and obviously shouldn't be driving and people that go to dinner and have a few drinks and decide to drive home. The law is the law, and if you're over the limit, you're going to be charged."

As a first-time offender, Griese most likely will be fined by the NFL, not suspended. The alcohol policy of the league states "absent aggravating circumstances, discipline for a first offense will generally be a fine of one-half of one-seventeenth of a player's salary, to a maximum of \$20,000." Based on Griese's current \$358,000 salary, he could be fined \$10,529.

Griese is the fourth member of the Broncos to run into legal problems this year. Wide receiver Rod Smith was arrested in January on suspicion of domestic violence and pleaded guilty in July to one misdemeanor count of verbal abuse. He was sentenced to two years' probation and ordered to attend counseling.

Linebacker John Mobley was sentenced to probation and ordered to perform 24 hours of community service last year after an alcohol-related crash. Last month, Mobley was cited for contempt of court for failing to do 12 hours of community service with Mothers Against Drunk Driving. During a hearing Oct. 4, Mobley said he wasn't aware that part of his work was supposed to be for MADD and agreed to complete the hours.

In the most disturbing case involving a NFL player, Carolina Panther Rae Carruth was charged last December for first-degree murder. He is alleged to have conspired in the murder of his pregnant girlfriend by hiring a man to kill her in a drive-by shooting. Prosecutors contend Carruth, whose football career was troubled by injuries, masterminded the hit because he didn't want to pay child support. From the beginning, Carruth has maintained his innocence, claiming he was miles away from the shooting and had nothing to do with its planning.

The unfortunate reputation of the NFL is plagued by players like these. Griese showed a rare move of responsibility by owning up to his actions and taking the consequences. Everyone makes mistakes, but the other players should take a lesson from Griese and take responsibility for their actions, thus earning them more respect and not blemishing the reputation of the entire NFL.

By Paula Devido  
STAFF WRITER

Three women's varsity sports will be available the next academic year at Westminster. Golf, and indoor and outdoor track and field will finally equal the number of women's varsity sports to men's, with ten programs offered to both sexes.

These additions not only provide more opportunities for women, but they also help Westminster's attempts to meet Title IX requirements. The ongoing effort to increase opportunities for women athletes results in

Title IX compliance.

"I do believe the ongoing renovations and expansion of our facilities has paved the way for these additional sports to our existing program," said Athletic Director Jim Dafler. "It would have been very difficult to do this if we did not have sufficient facilities and an adequate coaching staff."

Generous donations from The Hoyt Foundation and alumnus Jim Edwards as well as several other donors have made facility improvements possible. A new all-weather track & field facility will be completed for the

next school year. Construction on the locker room expansion in the field house is also underway.

Coaching additions and changes are not finalized at this time. Men's track and field coach Larry Ondako will coach the women's track and field team next year. The search is on for a part-time women's golf coach. Other additions to the staff will be announced at a later date.

The last sport to be added for women was soccer in 1998. Women's cross-country was added in 1988.

## Titans finish conference play at 10-0

By Pamela Stennis  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan volleyball team improved their record to 26-7 overall with wins against Washington & Jefferson, Grove City and a first place finish at the University of Chicago Invitational. The Lady Titans finished with an undefeated record of 10-0 in the PAC.

"Remaining undefeated in the conference is very important to us," Head Coach Tammy Swearingen said.

In the most recent match, on Oct. 26, the Titans needed only three games (15-3, 15-5, 15-13) against W&J to win their eleventh straight match.

Leading the team was sophomore middle hitter Katie Spehar with totals of 10 kills and

four blocks. Junior Meredith Etcher and senior Brooke Engles added eight and seven kills, respectively. Sophomore Carolee Reed led the team with 22 assists while freshman Jessica Young added 12.

The Lady Titans let Grove City take them to four games Oct. 18, with scores of 15-10, 15-6, 6-15 and 15-7.

"We fell apart during the third game but we worked hard and made a great comeback," sophomore Suzanne Fitz said.

The spikers traveled to Illinois to play in the University of Chicago Invitational Oct. 20-21. The Titans played three different matches and held each opponent to just three games each match.

The Lady Titans posted a 15-17, 15-10, 15-3, 15-3 win over the University of Dallas and a 15-5, 15-4, 15-4 with over Aurora (Ill.)

on Friday. On Saturday, Westminster topped host Chicago 15-4, 15-3, 15-10, before topping Ripon 15-8, 15-7, 15-3 in the tournament title match.

"I am very proud of the effort shown by the team at the invitational," Swearingen said. Spehar and Junior Shannon Simmons were chosen for the all-tournament team.

"Although I was excited to be chosen, I couldn't help but notice my own team was the strongest group there and I am very honored to be playing with them," Spehar said.

The Lady Titans remain undefeated and plan on keeping it that way.

"I am very happy with the outcome of the games," Swearingen said. "It was also nice to get out of this area and play some different schools."

## Lady Titans finish undefeated in the PAC

By Heidi Krieger  
STAFF WRITER

Two recent home victories brought the Lady Titan's soccer team to an undefeated 10-0 in the President's Athletic Conference with a scoring record of 71-3.

The team will not be able to advance to finals in Division III because it still has players on scholarship.

The team has applied to play in a NCAA Division II Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) playoff game this year and will find out if they have been accepted within the week.

"I am hopeful solely because of the strength of our schedule," coach Tom Keller said. The team played many teams that are among the top 25 in the nation.

The Lady Titan soccer team finished the season Oct. 25 with a 3-1 loss to Mercyhurst at home, leaving their record for the year at 12-8.

The Titans triumphed over Washington & Jefferson on Oct. 17, 7-0 and against Waynesburg Oct. 19, 8-0. Junior Sarah Morrison made 9 saves, preventing both teams from scoring. They have had eight shutouts this season.

One win at Shepherd and a loss at West Virginia Wesleyan over the weekend of Oct. 20 brought their overall record to 12-7.

Looking back on the season junior Ashley Pyle talked about one of the team's shining moments.

"West Virginia Wesleyan was a really good game," she said. "We lost 2-1, but that was probably the best game we played together."

Keller agreed that some of the best games played were marked as losses for the Titans.

"They (the Lady Titans) just wanted to do well against the top teams in the country. They didn't win, but the other teams sure wanted to get the heck out of here when the game was over," he said.

As far as next year goes, the team is looking forward to another great season. The team will return many of the top players, losing lone senior Jaime Helm.

"(Sophomore) Krissy Edmonds has been named captain for the 2001 year. I think she's going to do a great job and we will have another strong team next year," Helm said.

Keller agrees, but is focusing his goals on the next few years, announcing that "my goal is to go undefeated next year."

He continued that he had scheduled some of the best Division III teams, such as Wooster, Otterbein, and Capital University. He hopes to "introduce ourselves to the top Division III teams in the country." He wants Westminster to be recognized in the division when they are finally eligible for playoffs the year after next.



Photo by Aly Karg

Despite an undefeated record in the PAC, the Lady Titans are unable to advance to DIII playoffs.

On a national level the Titans are already being recognized. In the NCAA Division II statistics released Oct. 22, the Lady Titans ranked second in the country in scoring offense. Pyle gained recognition as 11th in the country for points per game, 15th for goals per game and 12th for assists per game. Junior Stacy Tempalski also made the list as 18th in the nation for goals per game.

This recognition has been rightly gained for the Lady Titans soccer team who according to Keller has "the ability to give anyone in the country a good game."

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# FEATURE

## We are the people in your neighborhood

This week starring: Stephanie Lyn Zahringer and Dr. Richard Lawrence Sprow

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR



Photo by Sara Bozich  
Stephanie Lyn Zahringer

**Name:** Stephanie Lyn Zahringer  
**Hometown:** South Park, PA (Pittsburgh)  
**Nickname:** "Steph"  
**Year at WC:** Freshman  
**Major:** International Business  
**Pet Peeve:** "Snoring. I don't like it when people snore."

**SB: What was the last dream you had?**  
Steph: I had a dream that my teeth fell out.

**SB: If you could have 3 superpowers, what would you want them to be?**  
Steph: The ability to fly, to turn people into things and to be invisible.

**SB: What is your full name and do you know why you were named that?**  
Steph: Stephanie Lyn Zahringer. Because, well "Lyn" is tradition-all the girls in the family have the name "Lyn." Stephanie because my parents were rushed to give a name for the birth certificate and it was what they agreed on real quick.

**SB: If you could be an animal, what would you be and why?**  
Steph: A kitten because they're cute.

**SB: Would you rather have \$100 or a puppy and why?**  
Steph: \$100. A puppy is like a child-too much responsibility.

**Name:** Dr. Richard Lawrence Sprow  
**Hometown:** Painted Post, NY "It's like New Wilmington, but it has bars."  
**Nickname:** "Rich" "Dr. Richie"  
**Year at WC:** 25th  
**Department:** English  
**Pet Peeve:** "Republicans."

**SB: What was the last dream you had?**  
Dr. Richie: Last night I was playing blackjack in Vegas...I lost.

**SB: If you could have 3 superpowers, what would you want them to be?**  
Dr. Richie: X-ray vision, telekinesis-to set people on fire and stuff-that would be cool, and invisibility.

**SB: What is your full name and do you know why you were named that?**  
Dr. Richie: Dr. Richard Lawrence Sprow. No, I don't know, just that my mother liked that name. My father's name is Robert and they didn't want me to be a "junior."

**SB: If you could be an animal, what would you be and why?**  
Dr. Richie: An owl because owls are smart.

**SB: Would you rather have \$100 or a puppy and why?**  
Dr. Richie: A hundred bucks so I could play blackjack in Las Vegas.

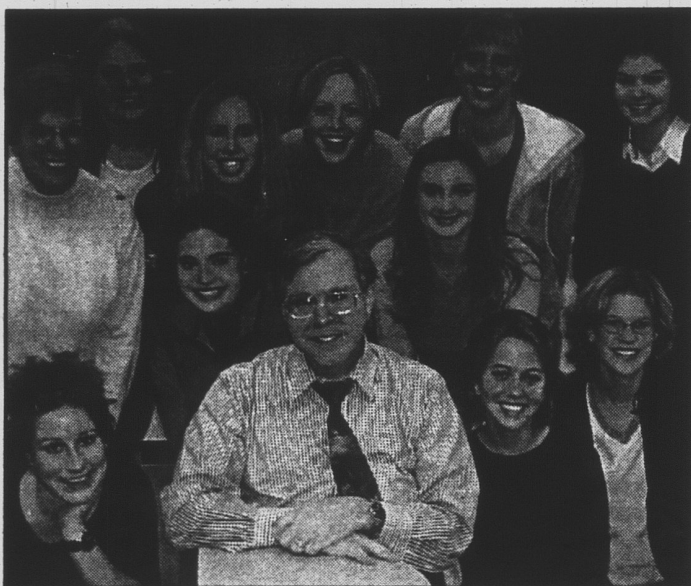


Photo by Sara Bozich  
Dr. Richard Lawrence Sprow

## Halloween marks day of pranks and fun

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR

Christmas, Easter, and Halloween have one very common bond: candy. Every holiday we are force-fed mass amounts of sugar. I can't say I mind too much. Halloween is a little different because it isn't tied to a religious event and very rarely do we dress up as things for other holidays. But I think the biggest difference is the nearly underground tradition of "Mischief Night," sometimes Halloween Eve and sometimes Halloween night, itself. This is practiced usually by the teenage-boy group and involves smashing mailboxes, pumpkins and other assorted goodies they can hit a bat with. Sometimes they'll egg houses or cars, or toilet paper houses. My father told me he and his friends used to soap the windows of any houses that weren't giving out candy on Halloween night.

One year, my best friend, Kelly and I got ourselves into a little mischief. We burned a hole in her back yard. We had an economy-size box of wooden matches and it began as some weird ritual we made up, lighting each match to signify something we wished for in life, if I remember correctly. Soon, we ran out of matches and as the slight pyromaniacs we were, were itching for more to burn. Kelly's backyard slopes dangerously downward (well, dangerous if you're riding a lawnmower or something-her father fell down it a lot while mowing the grass) and below is another street lined with houses. Kelly's brother's friend lived almost right beneath her house. We spotted those orange pumpkin trash bags used for filling leaves and started our descent. We grabbed a bag of leaves and ran awkwardly back up the hill. In hindsight, I see that burning leaves is illegal so Kelly and I were lucky when the leaves were too wet to ignite. However, shortly after our theft, someone from below saw us and we ran into her house. Soon her brother came in and told us about how he saw two burglars stealing pumpkins from his friend's house. Kelly and I did our best to retain our laughter. Hiding our amusement at things has never been a strong point for us. Later that night we toilet-papered her neighbors house because they didn't put out Halloween candy.

"Mischief Night" is usually a harmless event, irritating the likes of crotchety old geezers who just washed their car the day before. However, it can also be dangerous in this day in age because people aren't as easily amused as they once were, I suppose, and look to embark on more illegal or cruel activity. The night itself isn't meant for misdeemeanors or brutality, but for harmless, reversible pranks.

## Ski club enters its third year on campus

Anyone can join for a small fee per trip and a \$5 club fee

By Adam Corbett  
STAFF WRITER

The Westminster Ski Club is back for its third year. Seniors Brad Ebel, Chris Hall and Ryan Vaccaro sponsor the club, which includes 3 or 4 skiing opportunities for students.

The trips being offered are all to Holiday Valley, located three hours away in Ellicottville, NY. The cost of the trips are \$32 each, which includes lift tickets and coach busing to the resort. SGA pays for the resort.

"The first trip is planned for Feb. 3, and then a trip every other week on Saturdays," Hall

said. This scheduling provides all members plenty of opportunities to go skiing even if they are involved with other activities.

"People ask me all the time if it is okay for beginners or snowboarders to join the ski club," Ebel said. "Everyone can join, no matter what your ability or what you ride."

Readers of *SKI Magazine* have rated Holiday Valley Resort their sixth favorite area in the Eastern US, according to the Oct. 2000 issue of *SKI Magazine*.

"Natural snowfall, compliments of Lake Erie's lake-effect storms, plus great grooming ensures great skiing, even in thin snow years at Holiday Valley," Vaccaro said.

"We are really excited this year because there has been a lot of interest shown already," Hall said. "Also, due to one of the coolest, wettest summers in recent history, we are hoping for the same weather patterns for the upcoming winter unlike last year."

There is a \$5 fee to join the club. The group plans to meet every two or three weeks, and is open to all students. The next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 16 at 8:30 PM in 231 Patterson Hall.

Any questions or concerns should be addressed to Brad Ebel, at campus box 1075 or by e-mail at [ebelbj@westminster.edu](mailto:ebelbj@westminster.edu).

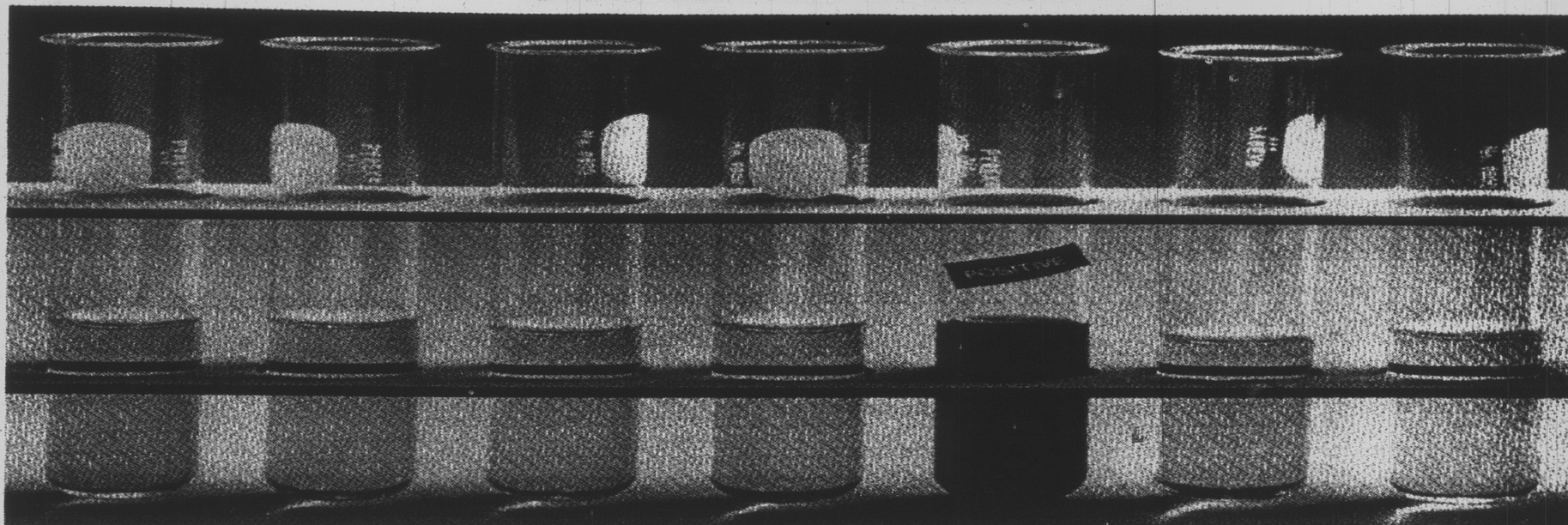
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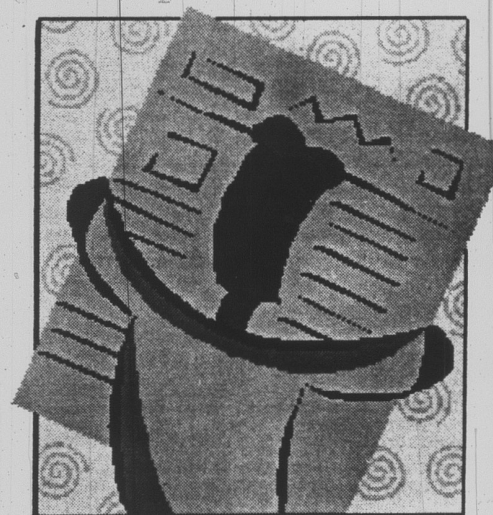
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# ELECTION 2000

## Alumna running for seat as PA State Representative

By Shannon Harris  
STAFF WRITER

Westminster graduate Jennifer Nicholson wants your vote for State Representative on November 7th.

Nicholson, 27, has been campaigning for the Democratic vote since early February.

If Nicholson wins the election, she will be replacing Christopher Sainato. Sainato has held the position for three two-year terms.

Nicholson attended Mohawk High School, and later graduated from Westminster in 1996 with a bachelor's degree in international politics and Spanish. She also has a minor in secondary education and history. During her junior year, Nicholson had a congressional internship with Tom Ridge's campaign for Governor. She also played the role of presiding chair and platform chair in our school's mock election held in 1996. After graduation, Nicholson worked for the county

government for four years in the Sheriff's Department of Lawrence County.

"If elected, Nicholson plans to fight to put quality and accountability back into Lawrence County schools," reads Nicholson's campaign flyer. "She plans to expand the PACE and PACENET programs for the seniors of our area. Nicholson is also determined to provide property tax reform in Lawrence County, and see to it that the 9th District gets its fair share of transportation funding to fix the roads."

Nicholson's mother Charlene works at the TUB. As her daughter's biggest fan, her pride in Jennifer shows. "I am really proud, and so very happy that she decided to do something like this, it takes a lot of courage," her mother said.

Nicholson's vision for our area, taken from jenniferforhouse.com is, "To make this somewhere we are proud to live, not just content to live. It's time to prosper, instead of survive."

When asked what she would say to the student body, Nicholson replied, "Don't wait for things to happen, go out and make them happen. The future is yours for the taking."

Nicholson's efforts to gain votes have kept her busy speaking at public events throughout the community. In her time away from politics, she enjoys attending concerts. "I'm a concert junky," she said. Nicholson plans to see Bon Jovi in concert on the Sunday following the election.

If any students are interested in voting on November 7th, please call the Borough Building at (724) 946-8167 for the nearest voting facility.



Contributed Photo

Jennifer Nicholson

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"Candidates spend time appealing to seniors because seniors vote in mass numbers whereas voters our age don't. Candidates aren't addressing the problems of our generation. Social Security won't cover people our age," Bartley said, "it may not even exist in 2016."

Some students say there are also issues that aren't being fully addressed by the candidates. Foreign policy, the future of the surplus, terrorism in the United States, abortion and gun control were all mentioned.

According to the Federal Election Commission (FEC), only about 30 percent of the registered voters age 18-24 - traditional college-aged students - voted in the 1996 election. Our campus is no exception, and many students have reasons.

Political science professor James Rhoads

agreed that college students don't vote.

"More vigorous participation by college-aged people would reorient the debate to their concerns," he said, although he added that this is not likely.

"The majority of students are registered," Bartley said, "but they may not understand procedures for absentee ballots." She said she recognized a lot of younger voters this summer registering.

Bartley claimed that the students don't know where the candidates stand on issues. She said the lack of participation is due to the fact that either it's hard to understand the candidates' sides or the issues are unclear or too statistical.

Another possibility, Rhoads said is that, "[young people feel] alienated from the political process because the politicians don't speak their language and address their con-

cerns."

"People don't take their voice to the government," Nave said, "and that the lack of participation stems from the fact that there are no issues facing us as a nation that compel our generation to be involved."

"We're a very apathetic generation thus far," Linn said. "[Students] are aware of the issues that are relevant to them." He said the reason behind students' apathy stems from the fact that they don't pay taxes or social security and they think voting isn't applicable to them.

Rhoads said, "Students should only be concerned with those issues that impact them directly." Rhoads also added that many are just enjoying the peace and prosperity that the country is enjoying and don't see it as an important election.

"If college age voters were more receptive to the messages, then the candidates would be more likely to address us," Bartley said, agreeing with Linn's take on the lack of participation.

Last year's mock convention yielded a large turnout from the student body, but those who organized it are unsure whether it raised awareness or not.

Bartley, public relations coordinator for the convention, said the convention gave students an idea of what the Republican party's stance is. She thought it gave a good overview of the platform and its coverage of many topics, but she commented that it didn't show the opposing side.

Linn, John McCain representative, said that for those who took it seriously, it did get them more involved.

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2000 can do almost anything online, from buying concert tickets to voting for their favorite NBA player to make the All-Star team. So why can't Americans use the computer to vote for a presidential candidate? Rhoads names the two main arguments.

"There's always the fear that some 13 year-old kid can vote 1,000 times," Rhoads said. The threat of hackers on the Internet would be a major concern if elections were to go electronic.

Rhoads believes the other argument against Internet voting is more serious. "The real opposition comes from those who think voting should be a public celebration of our democracy, not something to be done sitting at a computer."

Those are two valid arguments, but with almost every facet of American life turning digital, it seems the electoral process will follow suit eventually.

"I'm not saying it's a good or bad thing, but it's inevitable," Rhoads said. "It's just a matter of time."

Senior Andrea Cronie welcomes voting in the electronic age.

"It would be better than going out in the cold to vote," she said. "As long as all the voter's information is gathered beforehand, it's a great idea."

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# Decide which candidate supports your views on issues

The Presidential Election Test is designed to use pertinent issues to help voters decide which presidential candidate they support. One point is given for each question when you agree with the opinion of Gore or Bush.

1. Do you think any effort to provide tax relief for the so-called "marriage penalty" (wherein married couples often pay more in taxes than they would as singles) should be offered to all married couples or only those who pay the marriage penalty?

A) All Married Couples B) Only those who pay penalty

2. Which candidate's course of action is best?

Candidate A believes that a large estate left to heirs should be taxed at a rate of 50% for anything over \$1.2 million.

Candidate B believes that the estate tax is unfair to heirs and should be eliminated.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

3. Which candidate's position do you support?

Candidate A believes that in order to strengthen Social Security participants' contributions must achieve better returns. To achieve this he proposes that individuals be allowed to invest a small portion of their Social Security payroll taxes in stocks, bonds and mutual funds. Candidate B believes that investments in stocks, bonds and mutual funds exposes participants to risks and should not be an option. He supports using a large portion of the budget surplus to strengthen social security.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

4. Which Presidential candidate would you support?

Candidate A says he will veto any bill Congress passes making partial-birth abortions illegal. Candidate B says he will sign a bill to ban partial-birth abortions if Congress passes such legislation.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

5. Which candidate would you support?

Candidate A believes that abortion does not destroy life and is not manslaughter. Candidate B believes that abortion destroys a life and is manslaughter.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

6. Which candidate would you support?

Candidate A believes the Second Amendment of the Constitution protects the rights of individual citizens to own a gun. Candidate B believes the Second Amendment protects the rights of states in the form of mili-

tias to own guns.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

7. Which candidate are you most likely to support?

Candidate A says he will not use a litmus test on abortion for picking candidates for the Supreme Court but he supports parental notification for minors seeking an abortion and a ban on partial-birth abortions. Candidate B says he will use a litmus test on abortion for picking candidates for the Supreme Court and will appoint only those who support abortion and oppose parental notification for minors seeking one, and any ban on partial-birth abortions.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

8. Which candidate's position do you support?

Candidate A says there should be more gun control laws including mandatory gun locks. Candidate B says that instead of new laws we should spend more money to enforce the current laws.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

9. Which candidate would most likely get your support?

Regarding education: Candidate A says we need smaller classes, more money and bigger and better-equipped schools. Candidate B says we need more accountability and standards for teachers, students and administration.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

10. Which candidate's position do you support?

Candidate A believes Head Start's primary emphasis should be teaching children social skills so that they'll interact well with their fellow students and with their teachers when they begin school. Candidate B believes that Head Start's primary emphasis should be laying the groundwork for reading and writing so that children will be ready to learn when they begin school.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

11. Which candidate's course of action is best?

Candidate A believes we should delay deployment of a missile defense system in part to abide by the Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM) Treaty we had with the Soviet Union. Candidate B believes we should not worry about a treaty that is no longer in effect and that we should move quickly on designing and implementing a missile defense system.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

12. Which candidate's course of action is best?

The size of our military is now at the level it was in the late 1970s. Candidate A believes we should begin a military build-up immediately to shore up our greatly reduced military. Candidate B believes our military is safe from foreign aggressors and we should be spending money elsewhere in the federal government.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

13. Which candidate is more likely to get your support?

Candidate A supports the Kyoto Global Warming Treaty, designed to protect the environment including water and air and which requires American industries to conform to higher standards than industries in developing nations. Candidate B opposes the treaty because it places tough standards on the U.S. and other large industrial nations and little or no restrictions on industries in developing nations and would cost American jobs and raise costs to American consumers.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

14. Which candidate's position do you support?

Candidate A believes if the minimum wage is increased gradually by \$1 an hour over three years, it will benefit low-income families, help other get off welfare and improve the standard of living for millions of people. Candidate B believes increasing minimum wage will be detrimental to small businesses to decrease the number of people hired for entry-level jobs.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

15. Which candidate would you support?

Candidate A believes that because of China's militarism, nuclear modernization and espionage they should not be America's strategic partner but a competitor who does not share America's values. Candidate B believes China should be our strategic partner and open up its markets to American products thereby creating more jobs.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

16. Which candidate would you support?

Candidate A favors the sale of military high technology to China. Candidate B opposes the sale of military high technology to China.

A) Candidate A B) Candidate B

17. Which of the following do you think is the best definition of marriage?

Definition A: a man and a woman who join together and receive recognition from the state and/or church. Definition B: two per-

sons, regardless of gender, who join together and receive recognition from the state and/or church.

A) a man and a woman B)

Two persons

18. Would you favor or oppose charter schools?

Should we have Charter schools (public schools that are run by teachers, parents or private companies and financed by the state on a per-pupil basis) and hold them accountable for achieving education results and in return they would receive waivers that exempt them from many of the restrictions and bureaucratic rules applied to traditional public schools. Or should we not have charter schools and instead concentrate on improving our whole school system for the benefit of everyone

A) Favor Charter Schools B)

Oppose Charter Schools

19. Do you support or oppose a proposal to test all teachers periodically to ensure that they are qualified and competent to teach?

A) Support B) Oppose

20. Do you support or oppose a proposal to offer alternative teacher certification based on the teacher's abilities rather than on degrees and credentials?

A) Support B) Oppose

## SCORING

1. A) Bush	B) Gore
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19. A) Bush	B) Gore
20. A) Bush	B) Gore

Now go back to the question most important to you and give your response an additional three points. Total up points for each candidate. The candidate with the most points is your vote in November.

## Al Gore addresses largest group of campaign in Madison, WI

(U-WIRE) MADISON, Wis. — At the foot of the state Capitol and on the home stretch of his presidential campaign, Vice President Al Gore addressed thousands of Madison voters Thursday.

Flanked by city, county and state officials on the stage, Gore, after much anticipation, took the microphone and fired up the largest crowd he has faced in the entire campaign.

"You guys care. You are voting and choosing with your heads and your hearts. You know how much is at stake in this election," Gore said.

In a main theme of the evening, Gore focused on his track record of supporting the environment.

Gore also criticized Bush for his environmental record in Texas.

"If you want the Madison skyline to look

more like the Houston's skyline, George Bush is your choice," Gore said.

The crowd responded strongly when Gore spoke of the type of Supreme Court justice he would appoint.

"There are some people who say it doesn't make any difference who appoints the next three justices of the Supreme Court," Gore said.

"For those whose rights are on the line, it is the luxury of indifference and ironic detachment and cynicism that they cannot afford."

Campaign finance reform was another important issue on Gore's agenda.

"I'll make the McCain-Feingold Campaign Finance Reform Bill the very first piece of legislation I send to the Congress," Gore said. "I'll fight like hell for it."

Toward the end of his speech, Gore sum-

marized what he saw as his case for the presidency.

"Women's rights are at stake, disability rights are at stake, labor rights are at stake, civil rights are at stake, federalism is at stake," Gore said.

Gore's speech came after two hours of city, county and state officials taking the stage and a performance by Melissa Etheridge.

Gore's daughter, Kristin, and Bradley Whitford, a Madison native and star of NBC's "The West Wing," formally introduced Gore to the crowd.

"This election is baffling to me, because it seems very simple," Whitford said. "It's a battle between the single most-qualified human being in my lifetime to run for president and the single least-qualified human being."

Whitford then spoke about the environ-

ment.

"I don't think the environment is just a political issue. I think the environment is a spiritual issue," Whitford said.

Kristin Gore followed Whitford, continuing the environmental theme.

"I also want the leaders in the highest offices of the land to understand that global warming is a serious threat and that we need to actively protect our environment," she said.

Kristin Gore also stressed the importance of the possible appointments of three to four Supreme Court justices by the next president.

"So many people that I've talked to on the campaign say their top three reasons for voting for my dad and Joe Lieberman are the Supreme Court, the Supreme Court and the Supreme Court," Kristin Gore said.



# HEALTH

## Handwashing study shows most people don't properly wash

By Satoko Hasegawa  
The Daily Aztec (San Diego State U.)

(U-WIRE) SAN DIEGO — It's not unusual to see people who do not wash their hands after using a public restroom.

But who actually admits to this?

This fall, the American Society for Microbiology researched how many people would tell the truth about their handwashing habits and they too found it was hard to get people to fess up.

They concluded that Americans do not wash their hands as much as they claim they do.

Between Sept. 1 and Sept. 4, a phone survey was performed on 1,021 residents across the nation and 95 percent of the respondents told surveyors that they always wash their hands after using a public restroom.

However, the research team found this to be untrue.

The team's observers sneaked into public restrooms in five different cities to see if people really practice sanitary cleanliness: Chicago, New Orleans, San Francisco, Atlanta and New York City.

Out of 7,836 individuals, only 58 percent of men and 75 percent of women actually washed their hands.

The study discovered a huge percentage

gap between self-reported and actual handwashing behavior, suggesting that one-third of the respondents lied.

"People should have a habit of washing their hands at least 15 seconds after using a bathroom," said Dr. Gregg Lichtenstein, medical director at Student Health Services on campus.

Lichtenstein said people can get sick from not washing their hands.

"The most serious disease that people may get is a food-borne illness," Lichtenstein said. "There are viruses like Hepatitis A as well that can be contained in food. Another type of infection is some forms of diarrhea illnesses."

The Daily Aztec conducted an unofficial study of its own. During five minutes in the East Commons women's restroom Tuesday afternoon, out of 11 women, only one did not wash her hands.

In the East Commons men's restroom, one man out of seven did not wash his hands.

Kinesiology senior Jennifer Arquero said she tries to not touch public restroom doors and faucets because she has seen people skip the handwashing process. So, she said she uses paper towels to avoid direct contact. She said she is not the only one that does this.

"I don't know why people don't wash their hands," Arquero said. "I guess they are in a hurry. But they are carrying germs. And they

are going to go around opening doors everywhere. So, you could contract diseases or infections (by touching doors)."

Graduate student Doris Lopez said non-handwashers are disgusting.

"Even when I wash my hands at a restroom, these people who don't wash hands touch doors when they leave ... oh my, bacteria is coming to my hands," Lopez said. "These people are either lazy or don't care about diseases."

Lopez said she grabs a paper towel to open a bathroom door, only when she catches people leaving without washing their hands.

There are two types of bathroom doors on campus, Arquero said. One is with a grab bar so that people have to pull it when they exit. The other is without a grab bar, and users must push the door to leave — not necessarily using their hands to do it.

Arquero said the school should build more push-model doors.

"We have continued to modernize restrooms as time and funds permit," said Anthony Fulton, director of Facilities Planning and Management department.

Fulton said the department has installed automatic flush valves that are motion activated at several areas on campus and more will be installed in the future.

"This is a relatively new technology

employed in highly trafficked restrooms," Fulton said.

Currently, the third floors of both the Administration and the Education buildings have adopted sensor type flushers and faucets.

According to the handwashing behavior study, New York was the worst of all the surveyed cities: 51 percent of 2,283 people did not wash their hands. The cleanest was Chicago with 17 percent of 2,597 who did not wash their hands.

Compared to a similar study done in 1996, the number of men who actually practice handwashing behavior dropped from 61 percent.

"I don't know if there is a trend (for men not to wash their hands)," Lichtenstein said. "But there should be more education in younger grades in schools, even in pre-schools, about the importance of washing hands."

Lichtenstein said people should wash their hands with soap and pay attention to the fingernail area to best kill the germs.

SHS Health Educator Sarah McArdle said students have not complained about campus restrooms to her. SHS has not conducted any similar studies.

To see the results of the American Society for Microbiology handwashing survey, go to [www.washup.org](http://www.washup.org)

## Flu vaccination available at Health Center

By Judy Duda  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Don't let the flu with its fever, headache, body aches, fatigue and cough keep you from enjoying this winter (and from going to classes). Consider getting a flu shot. They are again being offered at the Jameson Health Place at 138 South Market Street in New Wilmington on Thurs., Nov. 9 from 7 a.m. until 12 Noon and on Wed., Nov. 29 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. The cost is \$10.

The flu is caused by a virus and is easily spread from one person to another, especially

during the months of Oct. through Mar. New strains of the flu are always developing, so you need to get a shot each flu season. Two weeks after receiving the flu shot, immunity will begin to develop and in up to four weeks the maximum immunity will be in effect. This immunity will last approximately six to eight months.

One common misconception is that the flu vaccine will cause the flu. There may be some side effects of the vaccine such as low-grade fever, discomfort at the injection site and body aches that last a day or two. If you do develop the flu later in the winter, it is most likely the

result of exposure to a new strain that has developed since the vaccine was made. Also you will continue to be susceptible to those colds and gastrointestinal upsets that circulate every winter.

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the flu vaccine provides 70 to 90 percent protection against the flu virus in healthy young adults. Getting the flu shot will give you one less thing to worry about.

If you have any questions about the flu shot or its availability in this area, please call the Student Health Center at EXT. 7927.

## Tylenol introduces new medication for women

FORT WASHINGTON, PA - The makers of TYLENOL announced the national introduction of Women's TYLENOL Menstrual Relief, their first product developed exclusively for women. In conjunction with the product introduction and a reflection of its commitment to women, the makers of TYLENOL also unveiled the Women's TYLENOL Commitment to Care Awards, a national program honoring women who make caring for others a personal passion.

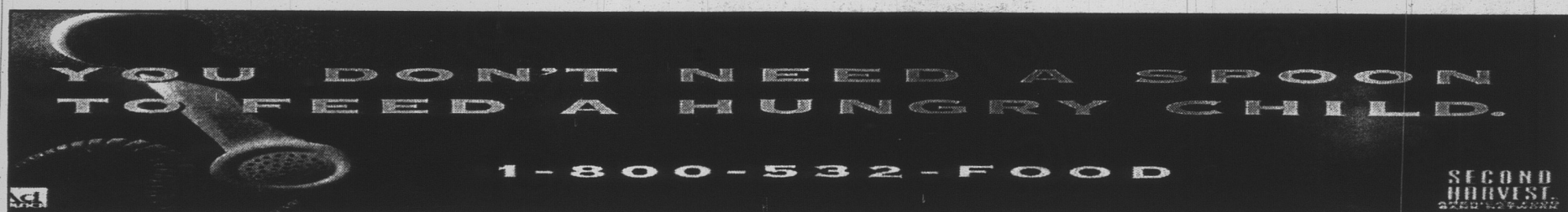
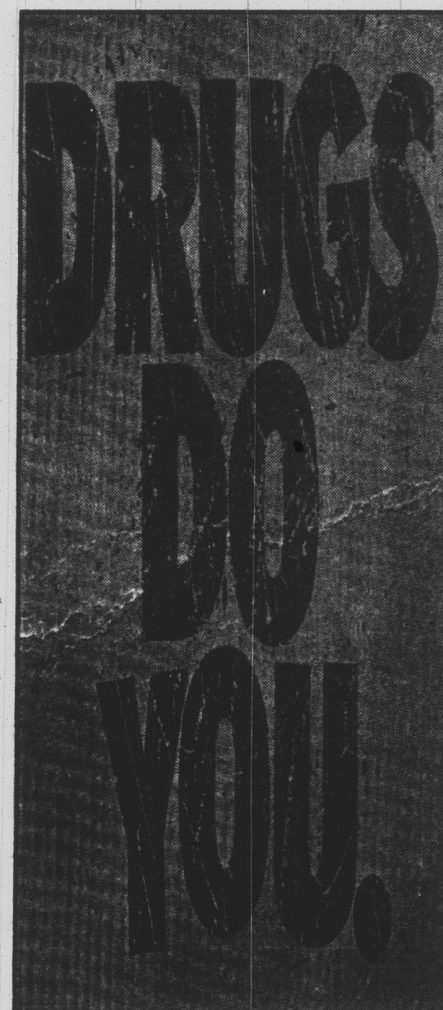
"For nearly 40 years, American women have relied on TYLENOL for comfort and

care, so it's only fitting that we now have a product devoted exclusively to the relief of menstrual pain and bloating - a health problem that affects nearly 52 million women every month," said Mary Ellen Mortensen, M.D., executive director of medical affairs, McNeil Consumer Healthcare.

TYLENOL is the first and only major over-the-counter (OTC) analgesic to introduce a product specially formulated for menstrual discomfort. Women's TYLENOL Menstrual Relief combines the proven safe and effective pain relief of TYLENOL with

pamabrom, a diuretic to ease water retention.

"It is very encouraging to see a major over-the-counter pain reliever take the initiative to develop a product that speaks directly to the unique health needs of women," said Jill Baron, M.D., a women's health advocate and clinical instructor, Department of Family Medicine at SUNY, Stony Brook, New York. "Women are no longer content with the 'one size fits all' approach to medical treatment and are actively seeking and demanding customized care."





## Meningitis vaccination offered at the Student Health Center

*The Letter below was sent to your parents letting them know about the upcoming meningitis immunization program.*

Dear Parent:

You should be aware that cases of meningitis have risen on college campuses in recent years. While the reasons for this rise are not yet fully understood, studies from previous college outbreaks suggest that college students are more susceptible because they live and work in close proximity to each other in dormitories and classrooms. Lifestyle appears to be a risk factor as well, with exposure to active and passive smoking, alcohol consumption, and bar patronage all increasing the chance that one will contract meningitis from an infected individual.

I am concerned that many students postpone this immunization not realizing that the highest incidence of this disease occurs during late winter and early spring. Therefore, the Student Health Service is sponsoring a one-day immunization outreach to students. Our previous experience has shown us that the concern of parents is a good motivator for students in this important decision.

When: Thursday, November 16, 2000 from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

**STAMPER &  
STALEY**

*Meet  
the Parents*

**Reviews**

## Joseph Stamper

In this week's flick Ben Stiller stars as Gaylord Focker, a Jewish male nurse living and working in Chicago. After eight months of joyful dating bliss he thinks he has found the perfect woman. Pam Byrnes, played by Teri Polo, is Focker's girlfriend. Pam works as a second-grade teacher in the Windy City. The film opens as Focker is practicing his proposal to a patient at the hospital where he works.

Before Focker can actually propose he over hears a phone conversation between Pam and her sister. Focker's ease dropping cues him in on the traditional values of the Byrnes family. Focker decides that it would be best to ask Pam's father, Jack Byrnes (Robert DeNiro), for her hand in marriage.

The marriage of Pam's younger sister provides the perfect opportunity for Focker to ask Jack Byrnes, a retired florist, to wed his daughter and to actually pop the question. What the bumbling Focker dose not know is that the Jack Byrnes is really an ex-CIA agent. When Focker arrives at the parents he begins to discover just how anal and overprotective Jack Byrnes is. Focker jumbles everything in an effort to impress Jack and that's when the comedy begins.

### Stamper's Four-Corner Breakdown

#### Date Movie- 8

This film is definitely a good date movie. Focker (Stiller) has game! In the second scene of the movie Focker is about to propose to Pam (Polo). In the most romantic scene I've seen in any of the movies released in the past three months, Focker distracts his ladylove while the her second grade class spells out the proposal across the street. Of course the children misspell the message and Focker has to improvise his well-rehearsed proposal to correct the spelling.

#### Special FX- 6

While you will see Focker's elaborate blunders unfold, don't expect to be knocked out of your chair by any exploding gas stations or sit in awe of any sophisticated dance numbers.

#### Star Power- 9

Robert DeNiro trades in the black leather jackets and tailor-made suits for fluffy sweaters and khaki slacks. DeNiro works well as the flower-arranging tough guy. Stiller as Focker is the ultimate nice guy underdog; he plays a role similar to his character in *Something About Mary*, but instead of trying to get the girl he's trying to marry the girl. Teri Polo as Pam provides an element of genuine emotion to the picture.

#### Plot- 7

If you walk into the theatre expecting *Something About Mary* you will leave disappointed, but if you enter with a clean slate you're in for a nice treat. The plot is actually not too that far-fetched if you omit the commando/florist aspect.

#### Over All- Worth Seeing

Despite a slow start the comedy really gets rolling about a third of the way through the flick. And here is a hint: just when you think it can't get any worst for Focker, it will. If you're going out and there's a debate on picking a flick, *Meet the Parents* is not a bad selection.

## Beth Staley

Everyone remembers when Ben Stiller met Mary in *Something About Mary*; well, in *Meet the Parents*, he meets the parents of his girlfriend Pam Byrnes, played by Teri Polo. In the role of Greg Focker, Stiller plans to make a great impression on Pam's father Jack Byrnes (Robert DeNiro) and mother Diana Byrnes (Blythe Danner). However, he doesn't plan on also having to make a good impression on Jinx, the family cat that Jack teaches to actually use a toilet. Unfortunately, Greg's bad luck begins when Pam admits to her parents that he hates cats.

As Greg tries to redeem himself for not liking cats, he falls even further out of Jack's favor. However, he truly arouses Jack's suspicion when laughing about the drug message in "Puff the Magic Dragon." Suddenly, Greg must deal with Jack's watchful eyes.

However, Greg quickly learns that Jack's watchful eyes are everywhere. Pam eventually informs Greg that her father was a heavy-duty CIA agent. Greg feared Jack when thinking of him as a florist of rare plants, but as a CIA agent, Greg becomes petrified. Every room has cameras hidden in plants, vases, and frames. Jack even straps Greg to an old fashioned lie detector. Jack's questions address anything from pornography to Greg's relationship with Pam.

As for their relationship, it faces test after test. Because Pam's sister is getting married that weekend, Greg gets to meet not only Pam's parents, but also Pam's siblings, and the rich family of the doctor marrying Pam's sister. Finally, to ice the cake, Greg meets Pam's ex-boyfriend, Kevin, who happens to be the best man in the wedding.

Jack, however, seems to feel that Kevin is the best man-period! Of course, Greg doesn't help himself as he loses Jinx the cat, sets a fire while sneaking a cigarette on the roof, and give's Pam's bride-to-be sister a black eye during water-volleyball. Also, Greg must deal with puns about his profession as a male nurse and about his last

name-Focker. Incidentally, the jokes grow as people find out about his real first name-Gaylord.

Stiller acts out the comic insecurity of Greg with a level of intensity that climbs with the action in *Meet the Parents*. He moves from frustration, to confusion, to anger, to determination to win Jack's approval, and finally to near insanity. His convincing performance demands sympathy from the audience; viewers will pity him while laughing at him.

Robert DiNiro effectively uses his opportunity to be oppressive and annoying as a father who thinks nobody is good enough for his oldest daughter; Jack isn't his best character, but DeNiro has an intimate touch with the cast that is successful. Blythe Danner takes on the role of Jack's wife with a lovable quirkiness. Between the commander father and care-giver mother is Teri Polo who acts out Pam Byrnes's struggle between loving her father and boyfriend with a remarkable depth of emotion and charm.

Director/Producer Jay Roach brought *Austin Powers*, *International Man of Mystery* and *Austin Powers*, *The Spy Who Shagged Me* to theaters, and with *Meet the Parents*, he brings a simply delightful 108 minutes to the screen. If there's someone special you've just met, take him or her to *Meet the Parents*.



## "High Flight" United States Air Force Show Band to play

By Kendra McClymonds  
A&E EDITOR

"High Flight," The United States Air Force Band's premier show group, will appear Monday, Nov. 6, at 8 p.m. in Orr Auditorium.

The event promises to be an exciting floor-show featuring elaborate medleys, oldies, contemporary dance music, and emotional patriotic songs. This entertainment package spotlights five talented vocalists backed by four of the hottest contemporary instrumentalists. The high-energy show involves stylish costumes, intricate choreography, and audience participation that often leads to humorous, impromptu situations.

The Band's official military life began on September 24, 1941, with the formation of the Bolling Army Air Corps Band under the

sponsorship of Lieutenant L.P. Holcomb, commanding officer of the Air Base Group at Bolling Field.

The United States Air Force Band conceived and pioneered the concept that a musical organization can be a nation's most effective goodwill ambassador. This concept has been proven by 20 international concert tours, with performances in 50 countries and 42 world capitals. By providing first-hand insight into American culture, the musicians of The United States Air Force Band help create a better understanding among all peoples of the world.

The concert, which is co-sponsored by Westminster College Celebrity Series and the New Castle News, is free and open to the public. Tickets are available at both locations. For more information, contact Celebrity Series Director Eugene DeCaprio at ext. 7371.

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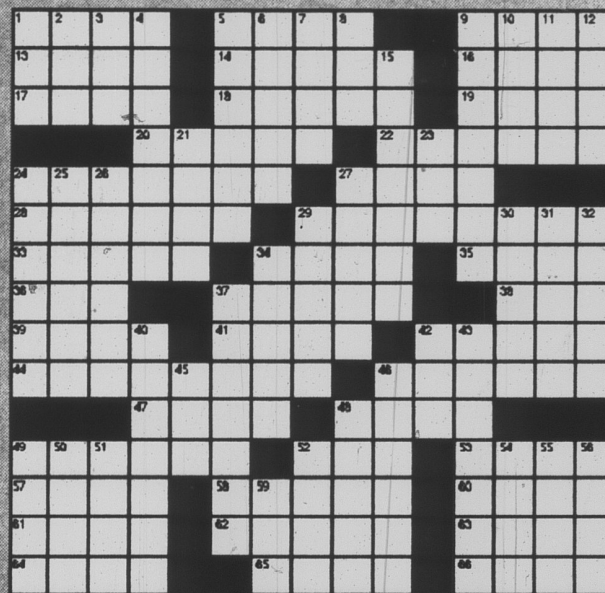


## Across

- 1- Cook  
5- Plot of ground  
9- French clergyman  
13- The villain in Othello  
14- Group of six  
16- Overlay with wood  
17- Canines  
18- Seaport in the Crimea  
19- Prison room  
20- Medicinal ointment  
22- Hardens  
24- Item  
27- Insult  
28- Resound  
29- Contradicts  
33- Exalt  
34- Detest  
35- Woody plant  
36- Open mesh fabric  
37- Relaxes  
38- Needlefish  
39- Old  
41- Cat  
42- French market town  
44- Tranquility  
46- Tranquil  
47- Rodent  
48- Repeat  
49- Monetary unit of Ghana  
52- Male child  
53- Openings  
57- Gemstone  
58- Anklebone  
60- 12th month of the Jewish calendar  
61- City in W Nevada  
62- Overjoy  
63- Emperor of Rome 54  
64- Retain  
65- Sight organs  
66- Quick sharp bark

## Down

- 1- Spanish hero  
2- Monetary unit of Vietnam  
3- Ovum  
4- Rummage  
5- Tissue  
6- Depart  
7- Wheel shaft  
8- Make lace  
9- Ill  
10- Alcoholic beverage  
11- Liquid secreted by the liver  
12- Old cloth measures  
15- Newspapers  
21- Having aches  
23- Convent dweller  
24- Places of contest  
25- Go back on one's word  
26- Canopy  
27- Satisfies  
29- Flatulent  
30- Dispute  
31- Long  
32- Twill  
34- High  
37- Depilate  
40- Emerge  
42- Used for resting  
43- Process of mountain formation  
45- At the present time  
46- Faculties  
48- Path  
49- Flesh of a hog  
50- Fencing sword  
51- Having a sound mind  
52- Kill  
54- On sheltered side  
55- Knitting stitch  
56- Swill  
59- Malt beverage




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## ARIES

Opponents will stand ready to pounce at the first sign of weakness on your part. The great flood of energy that you once rode with such ease seems to have passed you by. Rest up & focus on the immediate.

## TAURUS

You could be on the receiving end of a beautiful serenade. Accept the accolades & try to focus your energy on organizing your time & energy. You could be distracted by romance and lose some valuable time obtaining your dreams.

## GEMINI

Get your proper rest and watch your diet. Pamper yourself, do things that will improve your attitude and bring you greater self-confidence. Keep your ears alert, as valuable information will be revealed.

## CANCER

You will be upset quite easily if someone misinterprets you. One false word could create havoc. Get sound advice from someone who cares about your emotional well being. You need to busy yourself with worthwhile humanitarian causes.

## LEO

You will have a great time socially if you get involved in group activities. Travel will bring you not only adventure and satisfaction, but also cultural knowledge and interesting romance. Relationships appear to be stabilizing.

## VIRGO

You're in touch with a world of emotions and are feeling excellent. Participate in projects that will allow you to have a creative outlet. Expect to have problems with hearsay, be ready to defend your principles.

## LIBRA

You never give up if you want something and will be relentless in all your pursuits. Work at improving your self-image. You may feel barely in control of yourself, but this could be a good thing.

## SCORPIO

Pull out all the stops and reach for the stars. Your popularity will mount and you will be recognized for your talents. If you say what you think, you will move into a position of authority.

## SAGITTARIUS

Do things that will improve your attitude and bring you greater self-confidence. You benefit from a new solution to an old, nagging problem. One part of you makes a decision while the other part is still thinking about it.

## CAPRICORN

You will meet people with similar interests. You are best to do your own thing and avoid confrontations. Don't take on more than you can handle.

## AQUARIUS

You may be so high on life that you forget to look at the reality of some things. You could be drawn into conspiracies and plots, or encounter unusual people. Make changes that will benefit everyone.

## PISCES

Utilize your natural sense of humor to help yourself to see things from a different perspective. Look for humor everywhere, especially in those who are closest to you.

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# OPINION

## OUR VIEW: Your vote does matter

The newest Snickers commercial says it all.

For those who haven't seen it, a gentleman goes into the voter booth and just as he is about to pull the lever, two cartoons—a donkey (Al Gore) and an elephant (George W. Bush)—depicting the two parties drop onto his shoulders.

The cartoons begin posing their views on why he, the voter, should vote for their candidate. Some of the reasons the donkey poses are because he is on TV, because he invented the Internet and as a rebuttal to the elephant, he mentions he invented pants. The elephant is trying to gain the vote by comparing himself to his dad (former president George Bush) with comments like, "I look like my dad," "My dad and I wear the same pants," and "My mom once thought I was my dad."

This has been the most honest advertisement that Election 2000 has had, even though it's not even supposed to be for the candidates.

This election has been so full of, "I'll tell you anything if you vote for me" schemes that voters don't know what the facts are and sometimes even where the candidates stand on issues.

What's sad though is that because of the mudslinging and the, "He's lying" that have become so common, many people have given up on voting all together. Many state that their votes don't matter anyway. But history proves different especially in a close election like

**"..in the 1960 election, Kennedy won the election because he received ONE more vote per precinct in Illinois and THREE more votes per precinct in Missouri and New Jersey."**

Election 2000.

In 1776, one vote gave America the English language instead of German; in 1868 one vote saved President Andrew Johnson from impeachment, in 1923, one vote gave Adolph Hitler leadership of the Nazi Party and in the 1960 election, Kennedy won the election because he received ONE more vote

per precinct in Illinois and THREE more votes per precinct in Missouri and New Jersey.

It is evident by the past races that a few voters have made the difference. Though it is difficult, it's a right that our fore-fathers fought for. The easiest way to tackle Election 2000 is to venture to valid, non biased sites like CNN or CNN.com or any newspaper's editorial or political views section.

Though Gore and Bush have been in the forefront, slinging mud back and forth, they do stand behind some very valid issues. Figuring out what they truly believe may be difficult, as they have been catering their speeches to the groups they are speaking to but most major issues have stayed in focus.

Talk to others about their views if you are still unsure after doing your own research; it might help you grasp some facts in the midst of all the politics.

No matter what though, our suggestion is to grab a Snickers, sift through the candidate's information and views on the issues and most importantly vote. You might be the difference in the 2000 Election.

*"If the TUB had grilled cheese, it would be paradise."*

*"I don't like how the cafeteria closes early on the weekends. It closes at 5:45 and I don't get hungry til 6:00."*

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*"I would like something other than chicken tenders in the cafeteria every week."*

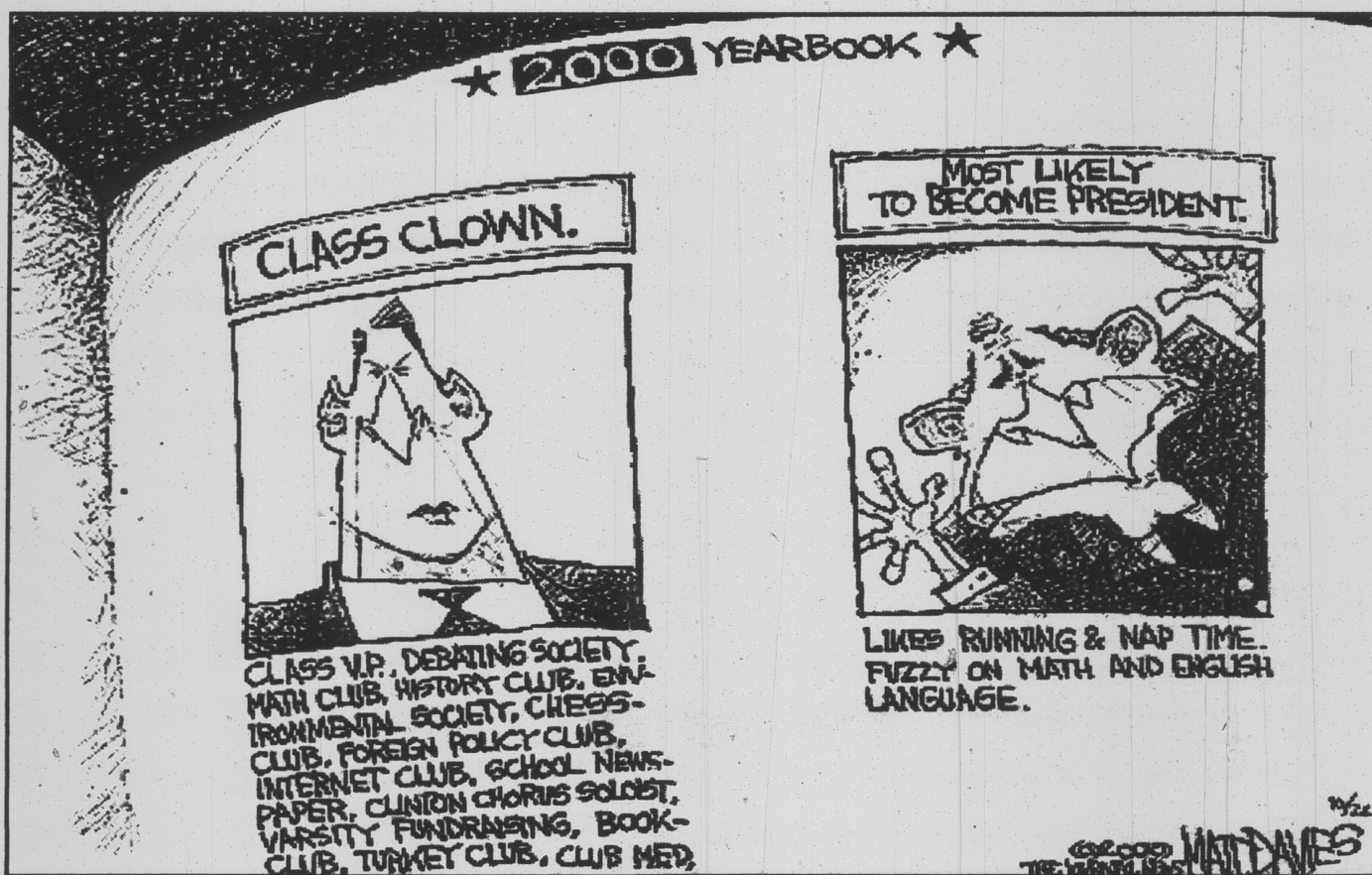
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*"I think it's stupid that I have to pay a dollar to get into Fright Night when I live in Ferguson."*

*"Good luck to the cross country team at Regionals this weekend."*



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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

As the election creeps closer, I find myself in despair over whose name to check on my ballot. I've watched the debates and have discussed both candidates with others. However, I still do not know who to vote for. I don't really like or admire either candidate and find it somewhat absurd that there are only two choices. Bad and worse! Yet, who else could afford to run against them? When campaigns cost billions of dollars! Only hypocritical, lying, self-centered, multi-millionaire politicians and businessmen can afford to compete, not middle class citizens with down to earth qualities, who would be better suited.

Also, I believe this campaign had been a mockery of the serious job at hand. Who has ever heard of a presidential candidate going on talk shows like Letterman, to get votes? Moreover, can they tone down the bashing towards one another? All they seem to know is that so and so did this and didn't do that? Are we still in second grade and need to tattle about our competition? I don't care what they feel or don't feel about the other person. I just want to know where THEY stand on the important issues.

This is the first election I will be able to vote in and the thought excites me. However, right now I am so disgusted with the campaign, I am not sure if I care whom wins. Neither candidate has proven himself to me. When did the election process turn into a big bashing session? When did the next president go on Letterman to get votes? People used to respect the president and his job. I still do! Though, I am not sure Bush and Gore do. This whole campaign is a farce, something that is a joke. However, not funny.

Laura Miller

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the article "Debating the myth or reality of sisterhood on campus" in the October 6th edition. I don't know everyone's reasons for going Greek, but I do know by speaking to various freshmen women on campus that not everyone does it as a result of pressure. The purpose of rush is not to "victimize" freshmen. It is to help them understand the Greek system on campus, which is why we have Rho Chis, and make an informed decision as to whether or not they would like to become a part of it. The rush parties serve a dual purpose giving sororities a chance to meet and talk with all the girls, and letting the girls meet the sisters and see how being part of a Greek organization has affected them. The girls are free to make their own decision. I would hardly call this "taking advantage of their vulnerability."

The disadvantage is that all potential members must be selected by some sort of screening process. I don't know how every sorority does it, but to suggest that all of them choose girls based on whether or not they are "pretty and thin," think they are "better than" others, or willing to turn themselves into something they are not is very unfair. Sororities go through a lot of trouble choosing girls. Their sisterhood is a gift and they don't take it lightly. Of course they are going to be selective about whom they are going to share it with. I think that to assume this about any of them or judge their sisterhood without ever having been a part of it makes you just as superficial as you claim they are being.

Caryn Nicholson  
Sister of Sigma Kappa

Dear Editor,

(Dear Student.)

The education experience that you are receiving is extremely important for your future. Earning a college degree can open many doors to a bright and prosperous career. However, that education comes at a price. Many of you benefit from student loans or financial assistance from your family. Either way, education is costly, and for the last eight years in Congress, I have fought hard to ease this burden that so many of you and your families bear.

Today, my wife and I are preparing for our teenage children's post-secondary education. Regardless of where they go to college, I hope there will be opportunities for them to remain in Pennsylvania. This can only happen if we work as Democrats and Republicans on all levels of government to create jobs so that college students, like yourself, have options in Pennsylvania.

Since 1993, I have represented the 4th Congressional District of Pennsylvania. When I took office the unemployment rate in my district was at an all time high. There were areas within the five counties I represent that were crippled by the decline of the steel industry. The unemployment rate was as high as 25 percent. For the last eight years, I have worked to reverse the trend and create jobs for the people of Western Pennsylvania. I am proud to inform you that the unemployment rate in the 4th District is now below 5 percent.

I voted in 1993 for the budget agreement that helped pave the path toward our unprecedented economic prosperity which has benefited the younger generation, and it has led to improved job opportunities for college graduates. New entrants into the job market have been fortunate to see an increase in starting salaries and even signing bonuses. This is a trend we must work hard to continue and I look forward to doing so as your Senator.

Good luck in the future, and remember to vote on November 7, 2000. This is one of the most important elections in the country. You have a chance to make a difference and secure a bright future for yourselves, your families, and your fellow Pennsylvanians.

Sincerely,  
Ron Klink

**Let your opinion be heard!**  
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## The race to elect the next first lady brings sex to the surface

By Collin Levey  
WALL STREET JOURNAL

It's the oldest rivalry in the world: the fluffy blonde cheerleader type obsessed with her sex life vs. the placid brunette with her nose stuck in "The Brothers Karamazov." So which one would make the ideal first lady?

Much like the contest between their husbands, the Laura vs. Tipper choice is bigger than it first appears. Both women have cast themselves as devoted wives—more loving and less assertive than the White House's current pushy occupant. But there's a difference.

Laura Bush is the stronger of the two.

So there it is: I'm a huge Laura Bush fan, no matter what anyone says about that turquoise polka-dot suit. She's elegant and brainy without being a showoff. She's mature, she's good at just being herself. She's independent and actually seems to float above all the ego and elbows and flashbulbs of the campaign.

No disrespect to Tipper, who seems like a real nice mom. But the problem with the Gore campaign is that they've made the marriage issue about sex instead of about respect. Since the face-sucking incident at the Democratic convention, Tipper has been trotted out to "humanize" her honey by being a girly girl. She romps around in khakis, talks about losing weight and offers testimonials to what a good man (wink, wink) he is.

While the strategy has clearly been aimed at the Oprah crowd, do we really want our first lady to swoon and bat her eyes on command? Asked by Ladies Home Journal about Al's "worst husband habit," she demurred that "he is perfect in every way." When pressed, she offered up the Cosmo standby: He hogs the remote control and compulsively channel-flicks.

Laura Bush, on the other hand, isn't afraid to give as good as she gets. After her husband joked one too many times that the former librarian Laura's idea of oratory was "Shh!," she famously retorted that he thought a bibliography was the biography of the person who wrote the bible.

As for policy, Mrs. Bush has made it clear that she has no intention of dipping her finger into every pot. But don't confuse this with aw-shucks ditziness. In Texas, she was the first spouse to have an office in the governors mansion and has been a major catalyst for literacy initiatives during her husband's tenure. If she seems reticent, it's only in contrast to Hillary's egomania: Laura Bush is planning to be the first lady, not Mrs. President.

Her refusal to weigh in on campaign hot buttons like abortion and capital punishment is the clearest sign of this. Watching her quietly dodge the queries, you get the sense that she may not agree with the governor on everything. And while she won't throw these opinions in people's faces, neither will she compromise them for politics.

In our annoyance with Hillary, we've too often viewed her brassy manipulations as a referendum on "modern" womanhood. In fact, what we disliked was that she was a throwback. Her unelected ambition made her the kind of age-old backbiting social climber leveraging her power on her husband's.

At the most basic level, the first lady can't help communicating something profound about what kind of man her husband is. The battle of the women has at its broadest been a symbol of the choice the voters will really be making in the election. While few campaigns have made it as explicit as Bill and Hillary did with their two-for-one act, the wives have always stood for something psychologically important to the voters. Think Rosalyn Carter vs. Nancy Reagan. Or Hillary Clinton vs. Barbara Bush.

Laura Bush is out on the campaign trail because her husband is running and she loves him, not because she has a jones to redecorate the Green Room or overhaul the health-care system. Asked recently if she wanted to be thought of as one of Mr. Bush's advisers, she smiled. "No, I'm his wife," she said. "That's better, don't you think?"

And that's important this year: Our next first lady will have to help slough off the eight-year-old scab of Hillary chafing. Laura Bush would make the better first lady not because of her traditionalism but because of her strength. She will neutralize the memory of Hillary's scrappiness without returning the proper political wife to June Cleaver land.

Ms. Levey is an editorial page writer at The Wall Street Journal. Her column appears on alternate Thursdays.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**FACULTY FORUM** continues Wednesday, Nov. 8 at 11:30 a.m. in Patterson 131. Dr. Terri Lenox will speak on "Teams, Teamwork & Software Agents."

**SENIOR PHOTO RETAKES** have been scheduled for Monday, Nov. 13, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 1:30-5 p.m.; Tuesday, Nov. 14, noon-3:30 p.m. and 4:30-8 p.m.; and Wednesday, Nov. 15, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 1:30-5 p.m. All settings will be taken in the pink room of the library. Students may sign up for an appointment time on the Argo Office door starting Oct. 30.

**A NEW STUDENT ORGANIZATION** is seeking recognition from the campus community. Lambda Pi Eta is an honorary organization overseen by the National Communication Association. The purposes of LPH shall be (a) to recognize, foster and

reward outstanding scholastic achievement in communication studies; (b) to stimulate interest in the field of communications; (c) to promote and encourage professional development among communication majors; (d) to provide an opportunity to discuss and exchange ideas in the field of communication; (e) to establish and maintain closer relationships and mutual understanding between speech communication studies faculty and students; and (f) to explore options for graduate education in communication studies. If any member of the college community questions whether this organization should be granted recognition, please address all concerns to the Associate Dean of Student Affairs Camille Hawthorne, by Nov. 13.

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CPC at NACA Regional Conference in Louisville, KY  
 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. ARGO Distribution — TUB Grille  
 11:40 a.m. Chapel  
 5:00 p.m. Swimming I-79 Relay Carnival (H)  
 5:00 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for German for Children IV — PH 230  
 7:00 p.m. Volleyball @ Geneva  
 10:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. JT's Café - Down Under

## SATURDAY 4

CPC at NACA Regional Conference in Louisville, KY  
 Cross Country @ NCAA Regional Meet (Lock Haven)  
 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Leadership Development Training Seminar — TUB Lounge  
 7:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel  
 7:30 and 10:30 p.m. Inquiry Movie: The Insider — Down Under  
 8:00 p.m. Celebrity Series: An Evening with Tony Orlando - Orr Auditorium  
 Phi Mu Formal  
 Sigma Phi Epsilon Date Party - Tiffany's

## SUNDAY 5

CPC at NACA Regional Conference in Louisville, KY  
 3:00 p.m. Student Recital: Kerry Barker — Chapel  
 6:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Meeting - Sig Ep House  
 6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting - Theta Chi House  
 6:15 p.m. IFC Meeting — Location TBA  
 7:00 p.m. Vespers - Chapel  
 8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230  
 9:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

## MONDAY 6

Kappa Delta Pi Poinsettia Sale Begins  
 11:40 a.m. Chapel  
 5:15 p.m. Seekers Music Rehearsal — Chapel  
 5:30 p.m. Panel Meeting - TUB A/B  
 5:30 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for More to Microsoft Excel — PH 214  
 6:00 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112/113  
 6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
 6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - TUB A/B

6:30 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall  
 6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116  
 7:00 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting — PH 311/312  
 8:00 p.m. U. S. Air Force High Flight Band — Orr Auditorium

## TUESDAY 7

### ELECTION DAY

9:30 a.m. CCO Staff Meeting — Down Under  
 Noon to 6:00 p.m. American Red Cross Blood Drive - TUB Lounge  
 5:30 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Pointers for Microsoft PowerPoint — PH 214  
 6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting — PH 231  
 6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House

## WEDNESDAY 8

### REGISTRATION - TUB A/B

### LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW (\$15 fee)

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11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum: Terri Lenox, "Tea.m.s, Tea.m.work and Software Agents" - PH 131  
 6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
 7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
 7:30 p.m. Theatre Westminster: "Anything Goes" - Beeghly Auditorium  
 8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - Location TBA  
 8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
 9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - Down Under

## THURSDAY 9

### REGISTRATION - TUB A/B

7:00 a.m. - noon Flu Vaccine — Jameson HealthPlace (uptown)  
 11:00 a.m. Support Staff Meeting - Location TBA  
 4:30 p.m. Student Publications Board Meeting — Old Main 308  
 5:30 p.m. Phi Sigma Tau Meeting — PH 116  
 6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House  
 7:00 p.m. Black Student Union Meeting — PH 231  
 7:00 p.m. Multicultural Affairs Speaker — Chapel  
 7:30 p.m. Theatre Westminster: "Anything Goes" - Beeghly Auditorium  
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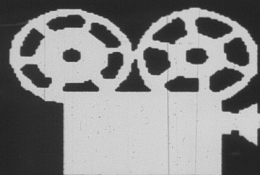
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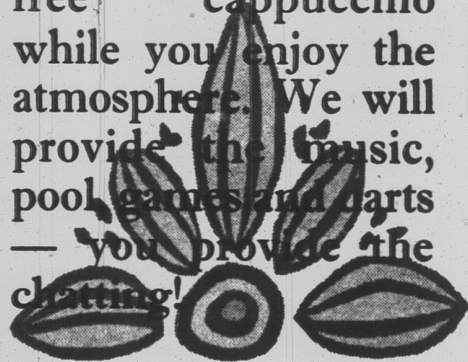
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## Florida, is that your final answer?

By Jonathan McKay  
STAFF WRITER

Everyone knew it was going to be close. But no one had any idea that the election would drag on past Nov. 7 to decide the 43rd President of the United States.

As of 6:40 p.m. EST on Thursday, Nov. 9, the recount of 64 out of the 67 counties had been completed with George W. Bush leading Al Gore by a mere 362 votes.

The back and forth battle began Tuesday night with each candidate claiming and reclaiming the lead several times. The beginning of the true drama, however, started at 8:03 p.m. EST when most television networks announced Gore as the winner of Florida, a crucial state to both candidates. The reported win gave Gore a comfortable lead. But, one hour later, the same networks announced that they had awarded Gore the state prematurely, and that it was now "too close to call," a phrase that would be repeated hundreds of times over the next few days.

This mistake erased the 25 electoral votes from Gore's count, vaulting Bush into the

lead. As the night went on, Bush accumulated more states than Gore did, but Gore kept the overall electoral count even by winning the important states of Michigan, Pennsylvania, Illinois, and California.

By the early hours of the morning, all states had reported except for Oregon and Florida. Gore had a slight lead of 260-246, but with Oregon possessing only seven electoral votes, it was clear that the winner of Florida was going to be the winner of the election.

At 2:18 a.m. EST, all television networks covering the election announced that Bush had in fact won Florida, and in turn, the election. Shortly after, Gore placed a concession call to Bush. However, as the remainder of the Florida precincts reported, Gore pulled closer and closer, until finally the numbers were almost dead even. Networks again

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## Vote margin closes as recount continues



CNN posted at 5:45 p.m. EST (2245 GMT)  
November 9, 2000

TALLAHASSEE, Florida - The margin separating Texas Gov. George W. Bush and Vice President Al Gore grew ever closer Thursday in Florida, as a recount of Tuesday's election cut the difference from the thousands to a few hundred.

Bush's advantage over Gore was only 362 votes late Thursday afternoon, with 64 of 67 Florida counties reporting the results of their recount efforts, according to the Associated Press. The count was likely to conclude by early in the evening.

Top officials of Bush's presidential campaign Thursday accused allies of Gore of

politicizing the ongoing recount of election ballots in Florida, saying Gore's people were not telling the whole story.

Bush campaign Chairman Donald Evans, appearing in Austin, Texas, the governor's home base, said his counterpart in the Gore camp, former Commerce Secretary William Daley, left out important information when he told reporters earlier in the day that Gore's organization would back efforts by some state residents seeking legal redress for alleged voting irregularities.

Evans and Bush strategist Karl Rove said Daley's earlier claims that some 19,000 ballots were discarded because some residents of

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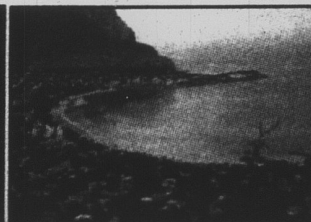
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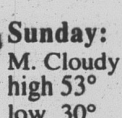
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## CAMPUS NEWS

### Students recognized in Student Literary Competition

By Delores Natale  
STAFF WRITER

Four students were among the winners of the East Central College's Ninth Annual Student Literary Competition.

Certificates of honorable mention in poetry were awarded to Jennifer Ombres for "Birth," Laura Stanley for "Running Puddles," Ben Tate for "Blink" and Jessica Toy for "Details" and "Image of You."

All four winners credited Dr. David Swerdlow, associate professor of English, for encouraging them to submit their work.

"He (Swerdlow) took time out of his schedule to look over my poems and gave me suggestions," Toy said. "If it wasn't for Dr. Swerdlow, I doubt I would have entered the contest."

Swerdlow taught all four students, but stated he did not have a hand in selecting or writing the poems they submitted.

"Jennifer, Laura, Ben and Jessica are all dedicated young writers who attempt to move beyond mere self-expression and into the realm of art," Swerdlow said.

The winners were notified by e-mail and their reactions ranged from surprise to disbelief. "I just kind of stared at the screen for a

while," Toy said. "I couldn't believe both of my poems received an honorable mention."

Stanley was amazed her poem was considered to have any worth when compared to the other works submitted. Tate felt encouraged by the award because the poem he submitted had received heavy criticism earlier.

According to Toy, fear of rejection should not prevent writers from submitting their works.

"You never know your ability until others read it," Toy said. "Keep trying, if your heart is in your work, it will be noticed."

The winners offered advice for fledgling writers based on their own experiences.

"Read anything and everything you can get to," Tate said. "It makes writing a bit easier if you have some inspiration and often that comes from what other people have tried."

Stanley emphasized the importance of submitting literary works to be reviewed by others, but she had some additional advice for writers.

"Always write for yourself, not other people," Stanley said.

The Scrawl, the college's literary magazine, may be holding a literary and art contest of its own, according to Ombres, who serves as poetry editor.

"Submit your work to as many places as

possible, especially the Scrawl," Ombres said. This year's competition received a total of 184 entries from all nine ECC campuses, according to Nicole Gatrell, ECC administrative assistant. Prizes were awarded in both poetry and short fiction. The first place prize was \$150, second \$75 and third \$25. Entries were judged anonymously by an ECC faculty team.

The first prize winners were submitted for consideration in Confluence, the literary journal published by the Ohio Valley Literary Group and Marietta College. The winners and honorable mention entries were published in the 2000 ECC Literary Anthology, available for five dollars per copy through the ECC office at Hiram.

The nine member ECC consists of



Photo by Courtney Behm

ECC Literary Contest Winners, (left to right) Jessica Toy, Laura Stanley, Jennifer Ombres. Ben Tate is not pictured.

Bethany, Heidelberg, Hiram, Marietta, Mount Union, Muskingum, Otterbein, West Virginia Wesleyan and Westminster.

### NACA conference selects next year's entertainment



Contributed Photo  
The CPC's preparation made for an easy for the group to schedule events for next year's entertainment.

By Mindy Falk  
STAFF WRITER

Members of the Campus Programming Committee (CPC) traveled to the National Association of Campus Activities (NACA)

Convention from November 2-5th in Louisville, KY. The weather was warm, the sun was shining, and there were full days of activities planned for the weekend.

Ten students and Assistant Dean of Student Affairs Camille Hawthorne flew down on Thursday. Members from the Down Under staff and CPC attended.

NACA is an association that gathers colleges from Ohio, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, West Virginia and Michigan

to showcase and host entertainment for the colleges to view and select for campus activities. This convention was regional, while the one held in the spring will be the national conference.

First chartered in 1968, Westminster has

been a member of the conference for years and takes this conference seriously. It is a big business for the campus, which has an annual \$40,000 budget for entertainment.

"This is a great experience for the students. They can go and get excited about what they are doing for our campus. They put in extra hours and a lot of hard work," Hawthorne said. "When they go to NACA they can brag about what they do at Westminster and feel good about it."

The weekend consisted of numerous meetings, talent and entertainment showcases and a marketplace. The marketplace was an area where the students could talk to the entertainer's agents and book them for their upcoming semesters.

"We pretty much were able to get who we agreed on," Hawthorne said. The spring lineup will include comedians, a novelty variety show and caricature artists for Mardi Gras.

Sophomore Abby Wessel is the assistant chair for CPC and was also the co-op buyer. She was in charge of booking the entertainment. "I prefer students to be the co-op buyers because they get to meet people from other schools and work with them," Hawthorne said.

Booking the entertainment is not an easy job for Wessel. There are approximately 800 students from the region at the conference. Before they left, Hawthorne and students went over a calendar of dates for when they wanted to book their entertainment, so they would be able to book entertainment on the spot.

Other schools are not so fortunate and have to wait to finalize bookings. Senior Dana Glunt said, "I wanted to cry for some schools who got their dates snatched up."

The college receives discounts for booking their entertainment at the conference. They also are able to get additional discounts when other schools in the area sign up and block around the same time frame.

Heather Bloom, Westminster class of '95, was the chairperson for the conference. She now works as an Assistant Director of Student Life at Central Michigan State University. Glunt has been attending the conference for years.

"It is really important, something that I want to do for the campus so that they can enjoy quality entertainment," she said.

Look for the upcoming events and entertainment next semester.

#### from FLORIDA page one

Palm Beach County cast votes for two presidential candidates — and that the confusing layout of the county's ballot gained Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan thousands of votes intended for Gore — did not hold much water when compared to past election results.

Daley "neglects to point out a similar number of ballots were invalidated in that county" for the same reason in 1996, Evans said. Rove added that based on Florida election numbers analyzed by the Bush campaign, Reform Party registration increased 110 percent in Palm Beach county between 1996 and 2000.

"Democrats are politicizing and distorting events," Evans said. Earlier in the day, Daley appeared before television cameras to lay out a plan to address a series of allegations of what he said were missing and confusing ballots.

The possibility of legal action expanded as the state vote recount resumed today, with Democrats pressing the issue in Florida and Republicans threatening recounts in Iowa and Wisconsin — both of which Gore is estimated to have won narrowly. A recount in New Mexico

is already under way and results should be reported on Friday.

Daley said Gore's team in Florida would request a "hand count" of presidential ballots in four Florida counties: Volusia, Broward, Dade and Palm Beach, where voters have complained that the county's ballot design was confusing and netted Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan hundreds, perhaps thousands, of votes intended for Gore.

Daley also said he would "be working with voters from Florida to support a legal action to demand some redress for the disenfranchisement of more than 20,000 voters in the state of Florida." The former Commerce Secretary repeated allegations voiced by a Florida Democratic congressman that slightly more than 19,000 ballots were disqualified in Palm Beach because baffled voters cast votes for two presidential candidates.

"If the will of the people is to prevail, Al Gore should be awarded a victory in Florida and should be the next president of the United States," Daley said.



# Students question current registration technology

By Alyssa Detore  
STAFF WRITER

Due to new advances in registration technology, students have been scrutinizing the value of Westminster's system recently.

Colleges and universities have been straying from the normal procedure of face-to-face registration and moving toward telephone and online methods. Many students have been introduced to the idea of these alternative approaches by speaking with friends at different schools.

"I think that online registering sounds like a good idea. It would probably make the process a lot quicker," senior Jenn Dlugos said.

Contrary to this assumption, online registration encompasses most of the same problems as traditional registration does.

Westminster's registrar, June Garner, previously worked at a school that an online system.

"When you use online registration, students are usually still required to meet with their advisor and still have a scheduled appointment," Garner said. "Even if they are not obligated to see their advisor, the downside with that form of online scheduling is that students might not take the right classes."

Although online registration may seem like a timesaving solution to some people, it lacks the personal attention and assistance that face-to-face scheduling offers.

"I am sure there are many good things to be said about online registrations, but I do believe the one-on-one assistance that students receive at our registration is beneficial when students have questions or concerns, especially when classes close on them," Academic Records Processor Patricia Hammer said. "We also have faculty advisors present during registration so students have someone to turn to for advice when needed."

"I like our way because it's more organized and they really help you out a lot,"

senior Joe Ruck said. "People at other schools have to figure out their classes on their own, and often don't get the classes they want."

"I think our system of registering works, but I really think we need more class options added to the schedule," senior Meredith McCaskey said. "The same classes should be offered each semester so students aren't required to stay an extra year."

"We don't have the computer ability yet to have online registering, but it could develop in the near future," Garner said. "Right now we are going to focus on our commitment to personal interaction because we really believe in the importance of advising."

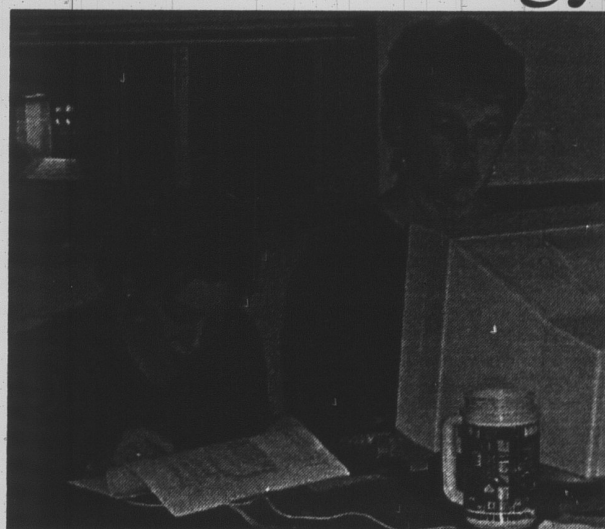


Photo by Meghan Duda

Cara Nolfi ponders the registration book as Patricia Hammer enters her choices into the system.

# Cluster course ventures to an overseas classroom



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The entire group takes a break in Pompeii to pose with guide, Kareem.

By JoAnn Lewis  
STAFF WRITER

Students got a taste of life abroad during a 13-day tour of southern Italy.

Following completion of a comparative literature culture/sociology course taught by Dr. Phyllis G. Kitzerow, professor of sociology and Dr. Carol M. Bove, professor of French, the group visited the cities they studied. The course satisfied humanities and sociology requirements.

The students learned about the country's culture and history while focusing on gender roles.

"They were very excited to take the trip," Bove said. "The students studied beginning Italian. They really picked up on it quick, especially 'voglio una birra' which translates to 'I would like a beer.'"

The first days of the tour included stops in Rome to view the Coliseum and the Sistine Chapel.

"I liked Rome the best. I felt very safe there," senior Marianne Orris said. "While walking on the streets I was thinking, 'Wow, this is the same street that Julius Caesar

walked on.' It was really neat."

A bus ride followed by a trolley ride landed the travelers in Gran Sasso, one of the highest points in Italy. The group enjoyed a day of hiking before returning to Rome by route of a town in the hills called Bomba.

"I was enormously impressed by Capri," Kitzerow said. "We rode a hydrofoil [like a ferry] and then drove to a higher point. From there we took a chair ride to the top of the peaks. It was just so quiet and peaceful, the scenery was absolutely beautiful."

The isle of Capri, home of the Mt. Etna volcano site, proved to be a real "hot spot."

"The volcano had just erupted earlier in the morning. We only saw a desert of ash on the ride up, no plants or trees," Orris said.

"I enjoyed Pompeii," Kitzerow said. "It's one of the cities that we have learned about since first grade. When you see it you just say 'ah!' The entire trip was unbelievable and exhausting. I went home and slept for days."

The group also visited a castle, a temple, cathedrals and several markets. They stayed in four-star hotels and enjoyed three-course meals.

# OXFAM continues to raise awareness

## Signups will be held Nov. 10-14 in the dining hall and TUB

By Miranda Neill  
STAFF WRITER

Students are getting ready for the upcoming OXFAM fundraiser. This fundraiser has been held at the school annually since 1988. OXFAM is internationally recognized; it helps to raise money for poor communities and eradicate hunger around the world. "This is a very easy way to help with world hunger... You give up your meals, and don't have to think about it again," fourth-year participant Mary Ellen Busey said. The fundraiser will be held Nov. 16-17. Anyone interested can participate. All one has to do is fast for less than two full days. This is easily accomplished by students by signing meals off their plans in the cafeteria on Thursday for lunch and dinner, and for breakfast on Friday morning. For every meal that is signed off,

Sodexo-Mariott will give a generous portion of the cost of that meal to OXFAM.

"I did the fast my freshman year. It was odd but I really didn't think about food... I knew many people who did it that year and I don't even think any of them cheated," senior Chrissy Pinchorski said.

Every dollar donated can feed up to 30 people in a poverty-stricken country. Our campus has made a big difference in past years donating between \$1,500 to \$2,000 dollars annually through OXFAM to underprivileged individuals and countries. Signups are Nov. 10-14 in the dining halls and the TUB. Past participants and the chapel staff encourage students to make a difference in many peoples' lives by signing up with any member of the chapel staff service team available at these locations.

According to Keturah Laney and other stu-

dents, it appears that OXFAM has been effective on this campus. They strongly encourage all to participate. People often take for granted those out there who are less fortunate; this one small act can help feed the mouths of many.

OXFAM is a non-profit organization designed to eliminate and alleviate hunger around the world. One common misconception about the OXFAM program is that student participants have to starve themselves. The primary goal of the fundraiser is to collect money from dining hall meals to contribute to the fight against hunger. Just because one chooses to not eat in the cafeteria, this does not mean one is not allowed to eat at all. Consider OXFAM, and whether you decide to fast or munch on some pizza instead, remember the results of your sacrifice will be far-reaching.

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# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Pittsburgh mob's power dwindles due to jail time and age

By Torsten Ove  
POST-GAZETTE

The Pittsburgh mob still has its fingers in a few pies, according to the FBI, but prosecutions and age have whittled away at what once was a powerful family.

The unprecedented defections of two high-ranking members - Lenine "Lenny" Strollo and Charles "Chuck" Porter - may finally end its influence in Western Pennsylvania and eastern Ohio.

Last year, Strollo, a Pittsburgh La Cosa Nostra member in charge of the Youngstown rackets, testified for the government and described a history of extortion, murder and

payoffs.

At a federal trial in Cleveland, Strollo described how he bought justice through bribes of police, prosecutors and a judge, planned killings and mediated disputes, including one between New York mob boss John Gotti and a Boardman, Ohio, fireworks dealer.

Strollo said he had been chosen by the Pittsburgh mob to take over Mahoning County because of his control of politicians and police and his ability to earn money from illegal gambling.

In court, he also identified the boss of the Pittsburgh family as Michael Genovese, 82, of West Deer.

The Strollo testimony may finally have broken the decades-old mob stranglehold on Youngstown. His defection put him in league with Alfonse D'Arco, former acting head of the Lucchese crime family in New York, who is called upon to testify at organized crime trials whenever needed.

Now Porter has joined Strollo as a defector. Last month, the U.S. attorney's office revealed that the Pittsburgh underboss has been talking to the FBI from prison for eight years.

According to a motion for a reduction in sentence filed by U.S. Attorney Harry Litman, Porter has helped the FBI investigate loan-sharking in New York by the Bonanno

family in 1992, a gambling ring in Harmarville in 1993, narcotics and loan-sharking in Pittsburgh from 1994 through 1998, a 1994 dispute over a landfill operation between the DeCavalcante family of New Jersey and the Genovese family of New York and the Pittsburgh mob's infiltration of the Rincon Indian tribal casino near San Diego.

Porter also provided information for other investigations of mob influence in Florida, New Castle and Youngstown and told the FBI about at least seven planned mob hits against informants in Pittsburgh, Boston, Philadelphia and other cities.

## NATIONAL

### Judge upholds \$145B smokers' verdict

MIAMI - A judge upheld a jury's record-setting \$145 billion damage award to Florida smokers Monday, rejecting tobacco companies' claims that it would make them bankrupt. The final judgment opens the door on what is expected to be a prolonged appeals process in state courts. The tobacco industry must post a \$100 million bond to appeal and attorneys promised to do so immediately. Philip Morris vice president William Ohlemeyer called the verdict inappropriate and improper.

### Robbers arrested after taking hostages

CULVER CITY, Calif. - Three gunmen took workers at a Target store hostage Monday before being arrested as they tried to escape. No shots were fired and no injuries were reported in the ordeal, which lasted nearly three hours. The siege began early in the morning when the suspects apparently entered the store through a back door, ordering more than 60 stock workers to the ground. Police did not know if the men were Target employees.

### U.S.: Ex-Teamsters official ran drug ring

A former president of the Teamsters union in South Florida is accused of running a drug ring that slipped about 47 tons of cocaine and marijuana through ports in Miami and Fort Lauderdale, then laundered the proceeds through a pornographer in California. U.S. Customs agents and other federal authorities arrested Clarence Lark, his brother-in-law Larry Crenshaw and six other alleged co-conspirators over the weekend. Prosecutors said Monday that Lark and Crenshaw extorted money from union members who sought jobs at their drug-financed truck rental company.

### 15 years later, family reunited

VENETA, Ore. - A girl missing for 15 years was reunited with her family after she wandered into a sheriff's office. Fallon Marie Hodges, 18, was allegedly kidnapped by her baby sitter in 1985. Fallon had been living with a couple who left her, saying they would contact her to reveal her true identity.

### Heavy rains continue to plague Texas

DALLAS - High winds damaged homes and toppled power lines as several twisters pounded central and southeast Texas, flooding roadways and stranding travelers. Dozens of flights were delayed or canceled at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. The flooding that began Thursday has claimed six lives.

### Goodyear offers replacement tires

LOS ANGELES - Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. has been quietly offering free replacements for thousands of tires in a practice known as a "silent recall," the Los Angeles Times reported Tuesday. Goodyear acknowledged last month that tread separation involving its 16-inch Load Range E light-truck tires has been linked to 120 injuries and 15 deaths. Goodyear denied conducting a silent recall and claims it is providing "customer satisfaction" replacements on a case-by-case basis. But some believe the company is putting thousands of drivers and passengers at risk by not declaring a full public recall.

### Drugmakers, stores move on FDA ban

Rite Aid stores will pull some over-the-counter diet and cold products on news that the FDA intends to ban a key ingredient. Many manufacturers said Monday that they will halt production of the popular remedies. Some retailers, however, were hesitant to begin removing the items just as cold-and-flu season is getting underway. The items contain an ingredient, known as PPA, that a new study says could cause strokes.

### Two hikers found dead near active lava

VOLCANO, Hawaii - The bodies of two hikers who authorities believe may have bypassed posted warning signs were found near an active lava flow at Hawaii Volcanoes National Park. The victims were identified as Ivan S. Klein, 42, of Washington, D.C., and Nancy Everett, 41, of Volcano. They were discovered Monday fully clothed with severe burns and cuts and abrasions to their heads, hands and knees, Ranger Doug Lentz said.

### Nearly 30 people struck by car

NEW YORK - More than two dozen people - most of them teenagers on their way home from school - were injured Monday when a driver experiencing chest pains plowed his car into the group at a bus stop, authorities said. Twenty-seven people were injured, ranging in age from 5 to 78. None of the injuries was considered life threatening, authorities said. The condition of the driver, Wilfred Moore, 73, was not immediately known.

### Ford to recall 430,000 Mustangs

DETROIT - Ford Motor will recall about 430,000 Ford Mustangs dating to 1994 because of a parking brake problem, the automaker said Monday. The recall will affect model year 1994 to 2001 Mustangs with manual transmissions. Ford said the parking brake could sometimes slip, causing the car to move.

### David Brower, environmental activist, dies

SAN FRANCISCO - David Brower, an activist who helped shape the environmental movement for much of the 20th century, died of cancer Sunday at his Berkeley home. He was 88. Brower served as the Sierra Club's first executive director from 1952 through 1969, building it into one of the nation's most powerful environmental groups. He also helped found Friends of the Earth and the League of Conservation Voters.

### Cellphone complaints may double this year

The number of cellphone users in the USA has tripled in the past five years to 100 million, bringing a dramatic rise in complaints. Last year, the Federal Communications Commission registered nearly 8,000 telephone inquiries about wireless service and expects that number to double this year. A few dissatisfied customers have even sued their phone companies, and at least one subscriber was awarded more than \$1,000.

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## INTERNATIONAL

# High winds threaten mission to retrieve bodies from Kursk

MOSCOW (AP) - Russian navy officials on Tuesday considered canceling a risky diving operation to retrieve bodies from the sunken nuclear submarine Kursk, as high waves buffeted the divers' mother ship on the Barents Sea.

Operators hoisted the Russian and Norwegian divers to the surface as high winds pounded their mother ship Regalia, threatening to jerk divers around on their tethers. Divers have worked in shifts around the clock for 17 days, with previous pauses because of harsh weather.

The divers have retrieved only 12 bodies

of the 118 crew members killed when the Kursk exploded and sank on Aug. 12.

The painstaking work to remove debris and search for bodies in the submarine's fourth compartment was halted Tuesday. Before surfacing, divers welded a metal plate over the hole they had cut in the compartment, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

Faced with worsening weather, navy officials met Tuesday to consider canceling the operation altogether, North Fleet spokesman Vladimir Navrotsky said. They discussed raising the Regalia's anchor and sailing for the ship's native Norway by late Tuesday, he said.

Divers faced mounting challenges and risks if the operation were to continue, he said.

The divers had worked two days to remove jagged debris from the upper deck of the fourth compartment, yet could only move six feet along a single passageway, and no remains were found.

On the surface, winds increased to 32-38 mph, rocking the Regalia, and rain and wet snow swirled around the ship.

Navy officials had cautioned that only a fraction of the crew members' bodies might be retrieved, since many were likely blown to bits by a powerful explosion. Many Russians

had questioned the need for the precarious recovery operation.

All the bodies recovered so far were found in the submarine's stern, and have been identified.

At least 23 sailors survived the initial explosion in the rear of the vessel, as indicated by a letter found on the body of Lt. Dmitry Kolesnikov.

The cause of the Kursk's sinking remains unknown. Russian officials favor a theory that a collision with a foreign submarine set off the powerful blasts. Others have said the most likely reason was a torpedo exploding in its tube because of a technical malfunction.

## INTERNATIONAL BRIEFS

### Palestinians seek international protection

JERUSALEM - Palestinians are seeking an international protection force despite U.S. and Israeli objections as new clashes erupted in the West Bank and Gaza Strip on Tuesday. Saeb Erekat, the chief Palestinian negotiator, said the Palestinians insisted that an international force be deployed in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. "We want to save the lives of our people," he told a news conference Tuesday. Israel's navy, meanwhile, said a suicide bomber apparently was aboard a fishing boat that exploded overnight near an Israeli patrol boat off the Gaza Strip. The Israeli vessel was not damaged.

### Twin girls separated; one dies

LONDON - Surgeons announced Tuesday that they have completed a lengthy operation to separate conjoined twin girls, a complex procedure that involved letting one of the infants die so the stronger one would have a chance at a normal life. St. Mary's Hospital in Manchester said the stronger twin was in "critical but stable" condition.

### Investigators give details on Taiwan crash

TAOYUAN, Taiwan - Investigators probing last week's deadly Singapore Airlines crash provided the most detailed description yet of how the accident occurred. Seconds after the Los Angeles-bound Boeing 747-400 began its takeoff, a front wheel hit a concrete barrier and the jet slammed into a construction crane that peeled open the plane's belly, said David Lee, an investigator with Taiwan's Aviation Safety Council. "Bodies just began to fall out" after the impact, Lee said. Investigators have not explained why the pilot took off on the closed runway. The crash killed 82 of the 179 people aboard, and dozens were injured.

### Trains collide in South Africa, killing two

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa - Two passenger trains crashed head-on late Tuesday afternoon, killing at least two people, news reports said. The two Metro Rail trains reportedly were on the same track when they collided near the Johannesburg neighborhood of Germiston, according to police. Emergency crews were trying to free passengers trapped

inside four badly mangled cars, one report said. It was unclear how many people were injured.

### Police arrest Basque commando group

MADRID, Spain - Police broke up a Basque separatist commando group in Madrid on Monday that may have been just days away from staging an attack, the government said Tuesday. Two women and two men who belong to the armed Basque separatist group ETA, which has been fighting for Basque independence for 30 years, were arrested.

### Denmark's Queen Mother Ingrid dies

COPENHAGEN, Denmark - Swedish-born Queen Mother Ingrid, mother of Denmark's first female monarch in five centuries, died Tuesday, the royal palace said. She was 90. Ingrid's three daughters - Queen Margrethe, Princess Benedikte and ex-Queen Anne-Marie of Greece - and 10 grandchildren were at her bedside. Ingrid Victoria Sofia Louise Margaretha was the only daughter of Sweden's King Gustaf VI Adolf, a great-granddaughter of England's Queen Victoria and an aunt of Sweden's current King Carl XVI Gustaf. She married then-Crown Prince Frederik of Denmark, entering Europe's oldest royal house. She was respected and beloved by Danes, especially for her forthrightness. As a young mother during the bleak years of Nazi occupation in World War II, Ingrid pushed a baby carriage along Copenhagen sidewalks and used her bicycle for shopping. She also walked her daughters to school and steered them clear of some of the isolation of the royal court.

### British police thwart diamond heist

LONDON - Police foiled thieves Tuesday who were after \$500 million worth of diamonds displayed inside the Millennium Dome. Eleven people were arrested without a shot being fired, Scotland Yard said. Police acting on intelligence were waiting when the robbers used a large yellow excavator to smash their way into the vault that usually houses a dozen top quality stones - including the 203-carat De Beers Millennium Star. The diamonds were in the dome's money zone, which explains currencies and their uses.

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# SPORTS

## Win over Geneva ends volleyball season



McKenzie Crowell digs a ball in pregame warm ups.

By Robert Fisher  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan volleyball team ended their regular season Nov. 3 with a 15-10, 15-10, 15-10 win at Geneva College.

The team finished a 12 game winning

streak as well as their most successful regular season. The Lady Titans ended up 27-7 and won 18 of their last 19 games.

They have applied for a bid in the ECAC Division II volleyball playoffs.

The team's losses this season came only from top-ranked NCAA Division III schools Siena Heights, Mt. Union, Muskingum and IUP.

"We played very deeply this season," Head Coach Tammy Swearingen said.

"We were faced with a lot of injuries very early on, and the girls had the athletic ability needed to bounce back. Also, a lot of the girls had to play different positions throughout the season, and they were good enough to be able to adjust well to the changes."

The team will lose three seniors this year: defensive specialist Sarah Verhoff and outside

hitters Andrea Cronie and Brooke Engles. Verhoff was chosen along with junior outside hitter Meredith Etcher to the all-outhern team at Mount Union.

"It was a real honor to play with the seniors this year, and I think they are the reason we were this successful," sophomore Carolee Reed said.

Sophomore Suzanne Fitz also commented on the successful season.

"We played as a team this season, no matter what the circumstances were," she said. "I think that's why we were so successful. I hope we can be just as successful next season."

Fitz led the Titans in kills with 13 against Geneva. Junior Shannon Simmons had 11 kills. Engles, Etcher and sophomore Katie Spehar each contributed 10 kills.

Engles and Verhoff each had a team high of three serving aces. Reed had 47 assists. Simmons had 16 digs, and Spehar added five total blocks in the win.

"I thought the team played well. We hadn't played a team with an offense like ours this season until we played Geneva," Swearingen said. "The game went at a faster pace and we had to run more plays than in other games."

## Athletic issues make the vote

Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

The 2000 election had many exciting turns and twists, but what most sports fans did not hear about on the news and CNN is the athletics issues on the ballot. Five states, including Pennsylvania, had issues concerning sports and athletics-related taxes. Also, many former athletes, owners, and coaches ran for election in the United States and won.

In Arizona, a proposition to raise tourist taxes to build a new football stadium in Phoenix area won narrow victory. Massachusetts rejected a proposal to ban greyhound dog racing in the state. The \$162 million bond issue in Pennsylvania for a capital program in Philadelphia passed by a 2-1 margin. Of that \$162 million, \$40 million will be used to repair Veterans Stadium. In Texas, Houston-area voters approved using tourist taxes to build a new arena for basketball and other entertainment, possibly including professional hockey. Houston voters also were giving 73 percent approval to a sales tax that would create a fund necessary to help secure the 2012 summer Olympics. Fifty-three percent of voters in Wisconsin agreed to sell the naming rights to the Green Bay Packers' football stadium to help pay off bonds for renovation. Any profits would be split equally between the team and taxpayers.

The sports figures running for election last Tuesday were mostly successful. Herb Kohl (D): Owner of Milwaukee Bucks; won re-election to Senate from Wisconsin. Tom Osborne (R): Former Nebraska coach; won election to U.S. Congress in Nebraska. Steve Largent (R): Former Seahawks wide receiver; re-elected to U.S. Congress in Oklahoma. J.C. Watts (R): Former Oklahoma quarterback; re-elected to U.S. Congress in Oklahoma. Russ Francis (R): Former 49ers tight end; lost to incumbent Patsy T. Mink in U.S. Congress race in Hawaii. Jim Ryun (R): Former mile world-record holder; re-elected to U.S. Congress in Kansas. Bob Thomas: Former Chicago Bears kicker; won seat on Illinois state Supreme Court.

Ewing is a hero off the court

Patrick Ewing has offered to donate one of his kidneys to Alonzo Mourning if the afflicted Miami Heat center ever needs a transplant.

"You know I will always be there for him," Ewing said Tuesday to a CNN reporter after a shoot-around in Miami. "If my kidney matches, I'll be happy to donate one, if it comes down to that. He knows that."

Mourning has a common but serious kidney disease that is forcing him to miss his season. It is not yet known whether he will need a kidney transplant. Ewing and Mourning both played at Georgetown University and remain close friends despite their fierce NBA battles. They work out together during the off-season, and Ewing is the godfather to Mourning's newborn daughter, Myka Sydney.

Ewing said he and Mourning have not approached doctors, nor have they gone through any tests to determine if the former New York Knicks and current Seattle center would be a match for Mourning. Mourning's kidney disease, focal glomerulosclerosis, initially will be treated with medication but could eventually require dialysis or a transplant. The disease was discovered during a routine physical after Mourning returned from leading the U.S. Olympic team to a gold medal in Australia.

## Cross country teams finish seasons Gleason, Humenycky lead Titan teams at DII Regionals

By Jessica Borchart  
STAFF WRITER

The men's and women's cross-country teams finished their seasons at the Division II Eastern Regional Championships at Lock Haven University Nov. 4.

The top seven runners from each team were selected to compete in this race. Junior Jacob Gleason led the men, finishing 23rd in 32:54 on the 10,000 meter race, and sophomore Lydia Humenycky finished 65th in 24:21 on the 6,000 meter race.

The previous Saturday, the team raced in the PAC championship for the sheer thrill of competition. Because college varsity athletics are currently transitioning from Division II to III, all efforts in playoff events are worth nothing in terms of eligibility for PAC honors.

Despite this, many of the team members had personal best records.

"The team gave great effort against a hard team, Grove City, who has been winning the PAC championship for ten years," Men's Coach Ron Galbreath said. "I hope to get in and break this string. I'm pleased with all my guys and their strong finish."

The men ended their season at 40-13 while the women posted a 36-20 record.

"Each member of our team was very important," sophomore Nikki Beaver said. "We all came together as a group to do very well this season."

Junior Desiree Henry felt this year's team went well.

"We had an awesome season," she said.

## Men's soccer ends season with 5-0 win

By Rachel Miller  
STAFF WRITER

The men's soccer team ended the regular season with 5-0 non-conference win over Pitt-Bradford Nov. 2, improving their overall record to 14-4-1.

Playing in his last regular season game, senior midfielder Derek Baumgartner posted three assists on the day, setting a new single season record. Others seniors playing their last regular season games were midfielder Matt Nichols, defenders Ryan Mathieu and Jake Joyce and goalkeeper Ryan Plocinik.

Sophomore forward Pasquale Reino opened the scoring in the eighth minute on an assist by sophomore James Green.

The Titans took a 2-0 lead into halftime on a goal by freshman Matthew Roser assisted by Baumgartner.

In the second half, Reino scored on an assist by sophomore B.J. Mathieu, while Baumgartner gave two more assists on goals by Roser and freshman Brian Glass.

Plocinik made six saves to post his first shutout of the season in goal.

The Titan kickers have applied for ECAC Division II playoffs, a four-team tournament the weekend of Nov. 11.



After a season of record breaking, the men's team ended on a good note.

Photo by Aly Karg



# I-79 Relay showcases strength of both swim teams

By Randy Leasure  
STAFF WRITER

To say the men's and women's swim teams are off to a good start would not do justice to their Nov. 3 performance at the I-79 Relay Carnival held at Westminster's natatorium.

Designed to invite teams in a close proximity to Interstate 79, the 20-relay event brought Allegheny and Wheeling Jesuit Colleges as well as Edinboro and Gannon Universities.

"This type of meet is exciting and fun, but makes for a more relaxed atmosphere for the first season competition," Head Coach Rob Klamut said.

Swimmers earned scores in three categories: the combined team score, the female team score and the male team score.

After the final event, Westminster had posted first place honors in all three categories, with decisive victories in each. The women's team won eight of 10 events, and the men's team won seven of 10 events.

"The women's team has the largest number of swimmers in at least six years, with 21," Klamut said. "It also has the largest number of seniors, with six, providing strong senior leadership."

The women's team captains are seniors Tara Crawford and Wendy Hamilton.

"The men's team is young and smaller in number this year," Klamut said. "There are no

seniors on the men's squad, but the junior leadership has been outstanding."

The men's team captains are juniors Brian Lytle, Eric Mojock and Lucas Shipe.

"Although there are no seniors on the men's team, the quality of the swimmers we do have will be enough to get things done this year," Lytle said. "Our performance at the I-79 Invitational was a good indicator of that."

Teamwork is especially important in relays.

"We really came together as a team, and enjoyed a lot of success because of it," Mojock said.

Even with the excellent showing at the invitational, the teams still realize the season is not going to be easy. "Obviously, we're going to have a lot of tough competition throughout the year, but maybe some won't be quite as tough," Hamilton said.

However, the team members remain optimistic that they will do well.

"Our performance at the I-79 invitational should be a good indication of how we will rate against these teams throughout the season," Crawford said.

The Titan teams traveled to IUP Oct. 27 to compete in a pre-season invitational. Clarion, Edinboro and Slippery Rock also competed in the invitational.

"The IUP meet ended a long and intense period of heavy training. Both teams swam better than we expected, for the most part, against strong competition," Klamut said.

The men's team finished first in two events, and second in four events. The women came away with three first and two second place finishes.

The teams have set high goals for themselves this year, both academically and competitively. Last year, both teams won awards for overall team GPA, and both teams only lost one dual meet, with a record of 9-1.

"It's going to be difficult to duplicate last year's successes, but if the teams continue to work as hard as they have so far, we should be able to reach our goals," Klamut said.

Klamut and the team captains agree that the competition with Ashland University, scheduled for Feb. 3 will be their toughest competition, and the one to watch this season.

The teams will host Gannon University at 5 p.m. Nov. 10, and Edinboro Nov. 18 at 1 p.m.



Photo by Aly Karg

The Titans proved their strength in the region with a dominating presence at the I-79 Relay Carnival.

## New conference challenges give team strength

By Laura Mours  
STAFF WRITER

The men's basketball team is headed for a season of new challenges and new strategies, with the season opening Nov. 17-18 at the Buzz Riddle Classic. The Titans will play Walsh University at 6 pm.

One challenge in particular that the team will face will be the switch to the NCAA division III President's Athletic Conference. The change will bring a new set of teams that the Titans aren't used to playing against.

"I think there's always a little apprehension when your schedule changes so dramati-

cally," Coach Jim Dafler said. "But according to sophomore center Greg Foster, the team is ready to work."

"Being in a new division, we can't take it easy," he said. "Even though it's a step down, we can't take the teams lightly, we have to work hard if we want to qualify for the playoffs."

Entering the season with a veteran team helps ease some of these new challenges. Five returning seniors, two returning juniors, seven returning sophomores, and seven freshmen make up the roster for the 2000-01 season. Dafler says that the team is excited about the prospects of the new season.

The team finished last season at 11-15, something that Dafler hopes to improve upon this year. One goal of the season is to play as well in the second half as they do in the first.

"We want to finish a lot of things better than we did last year...so we are looking at a style of play that will keep players fresher throughout the game and throughout the season," Dafler said.

This new style of play will mean more frequent substitutions, giving all players more playing time. This is key to building up the sophomore and freshmen players who, with only two juniors, will be taking over the team once the senior class graduates.

The team's hard work and conditioning will prepare them for more action this season. Senior forward Chad Phillips feels this preparation is important for dealing with the aggressive plays that will be seen with the new strategies.

The motivation to succeed in this new conference has given the team strength. The dedication of all of the players gives the coach confidence to implement the new strategies. Hopefully, this will create a positive mentality for success in the new season.

## Women's basketball hopes to gain respect in new conference

By Emily Ludovici  
STAFF WRITER



Photo by Courtney Behm

The Lady Titans prepare for a new conference with hopes of a more positive season.

Along with the uncertainty of changing athletic conferences, the women's basketball team is hoping to change something else: their record.

Last year's GLIAC teams muscled the Titans out of their goal to become competitive.

The reclassification should allow the team to be more competitive.

"This year, we're actually going to fight for some wins," Head Coach Jan Reddinger said. "That's what's going to make the season more exciting."

The Lady Titans have several key players returning this year. Julie Nansen, the team's only senior, poses a long-range threat with a strong three-point shot. Junior captain Robin Thayer has also sparked the Titan offense con-

sistently.

Omadee Curry and Amy Nansen round out the junior class, providing a strong rebounding presence beneath the basket.

Sophomores Teale Ganster, Samor Himes, Kylie Johnson, Jaime Lynn and Jennifer Petures return after seeing some playing time last season.

"They clicked very well as a group and because of their numbers, we're looking for a lot of leadership out of (the sophomores)," Reddinger said.

"(This year) we're looking for scoring and leadership from this group (of sophomores)," Reddinger said.

Freshmen Alicia Anderson, Tasha Dodd, Pam Gordon and Sarah Scott look for playing time as well.

The Titans travel to the Penn-State Behrend Tournament Nov. 17-18.



# ELECTION 2000

## Palm Beach County voter lawsuit withdrawn Media trouble

PALM BEACH, Florida (CNN) - An emergency lawsuit challenging Palm Beach County, Florida returns in the presidential election was withdrawn Thursday so the action could be combined with another suit to be filed next week in state court, attorneys said in the latest development involving the still-in-doubt Bush-Gore contest.

In a surprise move, the suit was withdrawn as federal judge Kenneth Ryskamp opened his hearing on a legal action, filed by three local residents, which alleged they were misled into voting for Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan.

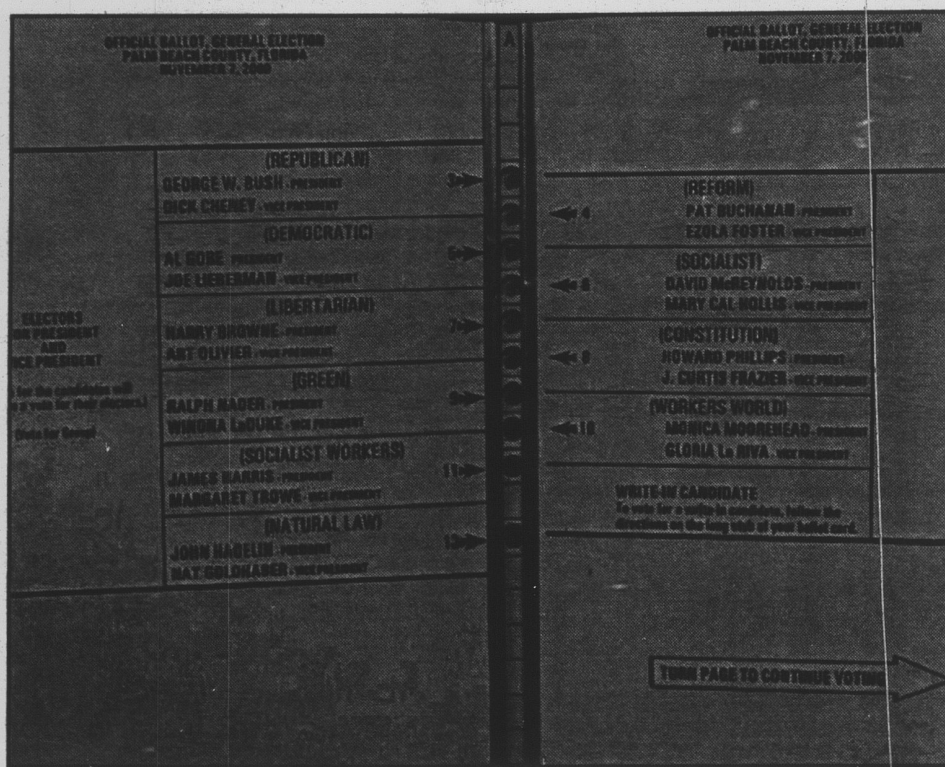
Bush's lead narrowed Thursday as 62 of the state's 67 counties finished their recounts, a process state officials expect to finish by the end of the day. The final outcome, however, might have to await a count of overseas ballots that could take 10 days.

Earlier, Vice President Al Gore's presidential campaign said it would request efforts to redress a number of alleged voting irregularities in Florida, where the focus of a continuing statewide ballot recount has fallen on Palm Beach County. Some voters confused by the county's ballot layout may have miscast their votes.

Gore campaign Chairman Bill Daley appeared before television cameras Thursday afternoon to lay out a plan to address a series of allegations of what he said were missing and confusing ballots.

The possibility of legal action expanded as the state vote recount resumed today, with Republican George W. Bush leading Democrat Gore. The Bush advantage was 341 votes, according to The Associated Press. The count was likely to conclude by late in the afternoon.

Daley said Gore's team in Florida would request a "hand count" of presidential ballots in four Florida counties: Volusia, Broward, Dade and Palm Beach, where voters have complained that the county's ballot design was confusing and netted Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan hundreds, perhaps thousands, of votes intended for Gore.



The Palm Beach ballot confused voters on Tuesday.

AP File Photo

Daley also said he would "be working with voters from Florida to support a legal action to demand some redress for the disenfranchisement of more than 20,000 voters in the state of Florida." The former Commerce Secretary repeated allegations voiced by a Florida Democratic congressman that slightly more than 19,000 ballots were disqualified in Palm Beach because baffled voters cast votes for two presidential candidates.

"If the will of the people is to prevail, Al Gore should be awarded a victory in Florida and should be the next president of the United States," Daley said.

Buchanan himself expressed remorse that he may have garnered votes that weren't meant for him, telling NBC's Today program this morning: "My guess is, I probably got some votes down there that really did not belong to me, and I do not feel well about that. I don't want to take any votes that do not belong to me."

Both candidates are short of the 270 electoral votes required to become the next president of the United States. Whoever wins Florida's 25 electoral votes wins the White House.

(CNN) — The Florida recount crucial to the presidential election of 2000 was preceded by events that proved to be just as unusual. Much of the confusion that reached into the upper echelons of both campaigns was sparked by erroneous projections by the TV networks.

The networks, including CNN, announced that exit polling data projected that Democratic Vice President Al Gore would win Florida and all 25 of its important electoral votes.

But when actual returns started coming in, the networks retracted their projection.

"The networks are calling this thing awfully early, but the people counting the votes have a different perspective," GOP candidate George W. Bush said afterward.

But a little after 2 a.m. EST, the networks declared Florida for Bush, based on exit polls.

As a result, Gore called Bush just after 2:30 a.m. to congratulate him.

Aides told CNN Gore was traveling to a Nashville, Tennessee, hotel to deliver his concession speech to thousands of supporters and was just two blocks away when staffers were able to persuade Gore not to make the speech until more information about Florida was available.

At about 3 a.m. EST, the networks retracted the Bush projection, just as they did the Gore projection.

Gore then called Bush back to retract his earlier congratulatory concession while Gore supporters rallied outside the Nashville campaign headquarters chanting "recount, recount, recount."

Bush campaign spokeswoman Karen Hughes described Bush's response to Gore.

"He said, 'Mr. Vice President, you have to do what you have to do,'" Hughes said. "It was an amazing night."

Gore campaign chairman William Daley agreed. "There's never been a night like this one," he said.

In Texas, Bush's hometown newspaper, the Austin American-Statesman, had to stop the presses after printing 59,000 copies with the front-page headline "Bush!"

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retracted their announcement of a Florida winner and Gore placed another phone call to Bush, retracting his concession and the race to the White House continued.

At 5 a.m. EST, the popular vote of Florida called Bush the winner with approximately 1,700 votes over Gore. However, according to Florida law, the results were close enough to necessitate an automatic recount. The recount began almost immediately and continued through Wednesday and into Thursday. During this time, accusations were hurled, lawyers were relocated, and theories and speculations appeared from anyone and everyone. Most of the media attention dealt with the fact that Bush's brother, Jeb, is the Governor of Florida. In an attempt to remove himself from the spotlight, and in his own words, "ensure integrity," Jeb Bush resigned his position on the committee that certifies Florida's election results.

Another media hot point was the design of the ballots in Palm Beach County, where several dozen voters complained that the ballot was confusing, and that they may have placed votes for Reform candidate Pat Buchanan instead of Gore, who they intended to vote for.

Even with the recount finalized in Florida, the process is far from over. Hand counts in some counties are being called for, as well as complete re-voting of the state of Florida.

Also, the overseas and absentee ballots have yet to be counted and could take until Nov. 17 to be calculated.

A subplot of the election drama is Green Party candidate Ralph Nader, who feverishly campaigned without the financial backing of the other two candidates. Nader's goal was to establish a third choice for the public, and more specifically to win five percent of the popular vote, which would ensure federal funds to his party for the next election. Although Nader fell short of the second goal, he did earn enough votes to make a respectable showing, offer voters a third option, and possibly has stole enough votes from Gore's Democrats in Florida to give the election to Bush.

After years of apathy towards voting and politics in general, a down-to-the-wire election was exactly what the American public needed to regain interest in the Democratic system. Similar to the Sammy Sosa-Mark McGuire homerun race of '98, even those who do not enjoy the activity usually, were enthralled in the drama.

Students agreed with the national results. In a Student Government Association mock election held via e-mail, fifty-five percent of WC student participants selected Bush. Gore received forty-one percent and Nader, four

percent.

Local races were energized by massive voter turnout. The presidential election caused large turnout all over the nation, and Western Pennsylvania was no exception.

In the race for U.S. Senator, incumbent Rick Santorum received fifty-one percent of the vote to edge out Democratic candidate and U.S. Representative Ron Klink of Murrysville. Santorum, a conservative Republican from Penn Hills, did not win by the margin he was expected to. "It was a tough Election Day, but we were able to overcome it because we got support from all across Pennsylvania," Santorum said.

Republican Melissa Hart earned fifty-nine percent of the vote to win the 4th District House seat, which was vacated by Klink. Hart beat Democrat Terry Van Horne to become the first Republican woman ever elected to the U.S. Congress from Western Pennsylvania.

Three other incumbent state politicians won races to retain their positions. Republican Attorney General Mike Fisher was re-elected over Democratic candidate Jim Eisenhower; and Bob Casey Jr., Democratic State Auditor General, easily defeated Republican hopeful Katie True. In a race that went deep into the night, Republican Treasurer Barbara Hafer came from behind to top Democrat Catherine

Baker Knoll. With eighty-five percent of the precincts reporting, Knoll showed a slight lead, but Hafer was able to overcome it and win by 100,000 votes.

Just to the north of Pennsylvania, a historic event was in the making. In probably the most publicized congressional race ever, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton defeated Republican Rick Lazio to capture the New York Senate race. Clinton emerged from her husband's shadow to become the only first lady to ever run for, or win, any public office. Clinton had to overcome questions about her lack of experience, and Lazio created headaches for her campaign by focusing on the fact that she was not from New York.

Another historic event took place in Missouri where Democrat Mel Carnahan became the first deceased person to win a Senate race. Carnahan, who was the Governor of Missouri, died in a plane crash on October 16. His death came too late under Missouri law to remove his name from the ballot. After an extremely tight race, Carnahan's opponent, Republican incumbent John Ashcroft conceded defeat Wednesday afternoon. Carnahan's successor at Governor, also a Democrat, appointed Carnahan's wife, Jean, to the seat. Ashcroft said he would not go to court to challenge the outcome.



# A look at election results across the United States

## GOP holds on to Senate

(CNN) — Republicans held on to a slim majority in the U.S. Senate despite the defeat of four GOP incumbents in an election that saw victories by first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton in New York and a dead man in Missouri.

As of Wednesday morning, Republicans held 50 seats and Democrats 49. When the Senate convenes its new session in January, the 100-member group will include at least 10 women, a record.

The only undecided Senate matchup is in Washington state, where Republican Slade Gorton is locked in a race with Maria Cantwell, a former Democratic congresswoman.

Hundreds of thousands of absentee ballots in Washington remained to be counted as Gorton and Cantwell remained virtually tied. Gorton and state officials said it could be days or weeks before the outcome is clear.

The defeated Republican incumbents are John Ashcroft of Missouri, Rod Grams of Minnesota, William Roth of Delaware and Spencer Abraham of Michigan. Democratic incumbent Charles Robb of Virginia also lost.

Should the final outcome be a 50-50 split, Republicans will maintain control of the Senate, no matter who wins the White House.

A Republican vice president, in his role as president of the Senate, would break a tie in favor of the GOP.

If Democrats take the White House, Sen. Joseph Lieberman — who was re-elected in Connecticut — would resign his Senate seat to become vice president. That would leave Connecticut's Republican governor to name a GOP replacement.

## Missouri: Dead man elected

Hillary Clinton's defeat of Republican Rep. Rick Lazio made her the first first lady elected to public office, but even her historic victory lacked the drama and poignancy of the Missouri race.

The late Gov. Mel Carnahan, killed three weeks ago in a plane crash, outpolled Ashcroft. Carnahan's widow, Jean, has agreed to accept a gubernatorial appointment to the seat.

"We remain heirs of a legacy, heirs of a dream," Mrs. Carnahan, 66, said, comparing her husband's unfinished work to that of Abraham Lincoln, Martin Luther King and Susan B. Anthony — the suffragette who never got to vote.

No one had ever posthumously won election to the Senate, although voters on at least three occasions elected deceased candidates to the House. Republicans have discussed whether they will go to court to challenge the Missouri outcome.

Carnahan and Democrats who knocked off Republicans in Delaware, Michigan and Minnesota all won by capturing the edge among moderate voters, exit polls showed. GOP gains in Virginia and Nevada came with strong support from white men and conservatives.

## Clinton addresses jubilant New York supporters

Jubilant in her history-making moment, Clinton told a cheering crowd in New York that "issues and ideals matter," with her husband, President Clinton, in his new supporting role, cheering from the stage.

Clinton had to overcome criticism that she was a carpetbagger and exit polls indeed indicated nearly half the voters were at least somewhat concerned that she had not previously lived in New York.

## In other Senate races:

- Republican John Ensign, a former congressman, defeated Democrat Ed Bernstein in Nevada. Ensign replaces retiring Sen. Richard Bryan, a two-term Democrat.
- Florida Democrat Bill Nelson, the state's

insurance commissioner, won the seat of retiring Republican Connie Mack. Nelson defeated GOP Rep. Bill McCollum, a manager during President Clinton's impeachment trial.

- Sen. Zell Miller, D-Georgia, appointed to replace the late GOP Sen. Paul Coverdell, easily won the remaining four years of Coverdell's term.

- Three committee chairmen won re-election: Agriculture Committee Chairman Richard Lugar of Indiana, Health and Education Committee Chairman James Jeffords of Vermont and Judiciary Committee Chairman Orrin Hatch of Utah. All are Republicans.

- Democratic Sen. Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts, first elected in 1962, won his seventh full term, and Sen. Robert Byrd, D-West Virginia, the second-longest serving senator ever, won his eighth.

- Republican incumbent Sens. Mike DeWine of Ohio, Bill Frist of Tennessee, Kay Bailey Hutchison of Texas, Olympia Snowe of Maine, Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania, Craig Thomas of Wyoming and Jon Kyl of Arizona also won.

- Republican Lincoln Chafee of Rhode Island was elected to his own six-year term a year after being appointed to replace his father John, who died while in office.

- In Montana, two-term Republican Sen. Conrad Burns defeated rancher Brian Schweitzer, a Democrat.

- Other Democratic incumbents re-elected included Kent Conrad of North Dakota, Jeff Bingaman of New Mexico, Dianne Feinstein of California, Daniel Akaka of Hawaii, Paul Sarbanes of Maryland and Herb Kohl of Wisconsin.

- In Nebraska, former Democratic Gov. Ben Nelson defeated state Attorney General Don Stenberg.

## Impeachment manager defeated

Democrats savored the defeat of Rep. Jim Rogan, a California Republican who served as one of the House managers who presented the case for President Clinton's impeachment to the Senate in 1999.

CNN estimates that California state Sen. Adam Schiff beat Rogan in the 27th District contest, which covers the Pasadena area. Schiff received more votes than Rogan in the state's open March primary in a district that has become increasingly Democratic as a result of recent demographic changes.

Despite the late pickups, Democrats fell short of gaining the eight seats needed to regain the majority they lost in 1994.

"Overall we have not seen that many seats that changed hands one way or the other, and Republicans did surprisingly well in the East, enough to offset any late Democratic advantage in the West," said CNN political analyst Stuart Rothenberg.

Two of those Republican gains came in Connecticut and Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania state Sen. Melissa Hart defeated state Rep. Terry Van Horne in the 4th District. And in Connecticut, GOP candidate Rob Simmons scored an upset in the 2nd District over 10-term Rep. Sam Gejdenson, CNN projects.

Democrats also lost their bid to pick up Illinois' 10th District, where the GOP's Mark Kirk, a former aide to retiring Rep. John Porter, narrowly defeated Lauren Beth Gash, a popular state representative.

## Democratic pickups few and far between

In addition to Democratic gains in California and Utah, the party picked up GOP Rep. Rick Lazio's 2nd District seat in New York. Democrat Steve Israel defeated Republican Joan Johnson, who was vying to become the first Republican African-American female to serve in the House.

Democrats also gained a seat in Oklahoma's 2nd Congressional District,

where CNN projects that attorney Brad Carson defeated auto dealer Andy Ewing, the GOP nominee.

When all is said and done, both political parties will have lavished tens of millions of dollars on the competitive House races. Special interest groups — ranging from unions to pharmaceutical companies — also dropped millions in soft money donations in a bid to sway voters.

Heading into Election Night, Republicans held a 13-seat margin over the Democrats in the House, 223-210, and two seats were held by Independents.

The reason those numbers changed only slightly can be attributed to the power of incumbency.

A number of districts have voted solidly Republican or Democratic for decades. Even in suburban areas with large numbers of classic "swing voters," sitting congressmen took advantage of greater name recognition and fund-raising.

With no overarching issue dominating the political agenda this year, House campaigns instead focused on a number of issues: Social Security, prescription drug coverage for Medicare seniors, education, gun laws, abortion and the environment.

The "character" issue has also played out in a number of races, including a handful of districts where Democrats originally set their sights on ousting the 13 impeachment managers, or prosecutors, during the 1998-99 presidential impeachment saga.

## Incumbents triumph in Midwest

Republicans countered strong Democratic challenges in Indiana and Ohio. In the Buckeye State's 12th District, state Rep. Pat Tiberi defeated Democrat Maryellen O'Shaughnessy. The seat is currently held by retiring Republican Rep. John Kasich, chairman of the House Budget Committee.

Indiana Republican John Hostettler had faced the toughest race of his career in Indiana's 8th District, but CNN estimates he has defeated Democrat Dr. Paul Perry.

Voters in the "Bloody Eighth" have a long history of throwing incumbents out of office, but Hostettler's positions on taxes and abortion seem to have played well to the mostly rural district.

Five-term Democratic Rep. Tim Roemer is projected to stave off a challenge from GOP business executive Chris Chocolla in Indiana's 3rd District. Although the northern Indiana district has consistently voted for GOP presidential candidates, Roemer has yet to be seriously threatened on Election Day.

CNN also estimates Republicans will retain the seat in Missouri's 2nd District, where state Rep. Todd Akin defeated Democratic state Sen. Ted House. Akin, a conservative best known for his opposition to legal gambling in the state, will replace Republican Rep. Jim Talent, who, CNN estimates, lost his bid for governor.

Democrats held on to a seat in Minnesota's 4th District, where Democrat state Rep. Betty McCollum defeated GOP state Sen. Linda Runbeck and independent Tom Foley.

In the state's 6th District, three-term Democratic Rep. Bill Luther held off a strong challenge from former Marine Col. John Kline, a Republican who narrowly lost to Luther in 1998.

In Kansas, freshman Democratic Rep. Dennis Moore beat back a strong challenge from conservative GOP state legislator Phill Kline in the 3rd District, CNN projects. As he did in 1998, Moore appears to have taken advantage of a bitter GOP primary between moderate and conservative factions of the party.

## The East; New England

In Pennsylvania, freshman Republican Rep. Don Sherwood defeated Democrat Pat

Casey in the 10th District, CNN projects. Sherwood edged Casey by just 515 votes during their 1998 contest.

The 15th District contest saw freshman Republican Rep. Patrick Toomey stave off Democrat Ed O'Brien.

In Pennsylvania's 13th Congressional District, freshman Democratic Rep. Joe Hoeffel fended off a strong challenge from moderate GOP candidate Stewart Greenleaf. In New Jersey, Republican Mike Ferguson defeated Democrat Maryanne Connelly in the 7th District. Ferguson will replace Republican Rep. Bob Franks, who was defeated in his Senate bid.

Three-term incumbent GOP Rep. Charlie Bass will retain his 2nd District New Hampshire seat over Democratic challenger Barney Brannen. Bass won by slim margins in this western New Hampshire district in 1996 and 1998.

In Connecticut's 5th District, Democratic Rep. Jim Maloney defeated Republican challenger Mark Nielsen.

## Deep South

In Georgia, three-term Republican Rep. Saxby Chambliss held off a challenge from Democrat Jim Marshall in the 8th Congressional District. In the 7th District, former House impeachment manager Rep. Bob Barr defeated wealthy Democratic challenger Roger Kahn.

Mississippi freshman Democratic Rep. Ronnie Shows will retain his 4th District seat with a win over GOP challenger Dunn Lampton. In neighboring Alabama, Republican incumbent Rep. Robert Aderholt staved off a challenge from Democrat Marsha Folsom in the state's 4th District.

Republicans also held the open seat in Florida's 12th District, where 26-year-old state Rep. Adam Putnam defeated Democrat Mike Stedem. In the state's 3rd District, four-term Democratic Rep.

Corrine Brown held off a challenge from Republican Jennifer Carroll.

Republican attorney Ric Keller won a hotly contested race in Florida's 8th district over Democrat Linda Chapin. Trailing his opponent after a bitter and divisive GOP primary, Keller gained momentum during the closing weeks of the campaign. In a rematch of the 1998 showdown in North Carolina's 8th Congressional District, Republican incumbent Rep. Robin Hayes again defeated Democrat Mike Taylor. Hayes, heir to a fortune earned in the region's textile industry, edged Taylor by less than 3,500 votes in 1998.

In North Carolina's 11th District, incumbent GOP Rep. Charles Taylor beat back a strong challenge from Democrat Sam Neill. The Democrats were hoping for an upset, as Taylor had been hounded by a much-publicized row with local tax collectors and Neill had successfully pounded him on delivering for seniors.

In Texas, Republican Rep. Ron Paul fought off a challenge from Democratic candidate Loy Sneary in the 14th District, a rural area between Houston and Austin. In the state's 5th District, Republican Rep. Pete Sessions defeated Democratic challenger Regina Montoya.

Democratic Rep. Ken Bentsen held off a well-financed challenge from Republican Phil Sudan in Texas' 25th District.

Republicans also successfully defended three competitive seats in the battleground state of Kentucky. In the 1st District, three-term incumbent GOP Rep. Ed Whitfield defeated Democratic challenger Brian Roy.

Republican Rep. Anne Northup fended off Democratic challenger Eleanor Jordan, an African-American, in Kentucky's 3rd District. Northup's phenomenal fund-raising abilities and savvy political skills have helped her hold on to the Democratic-leaning district since 1996.



# OPINION

## Rant and Rave

*"Kudos to everyone who helped with the blood drive!"*

*"I hate it when people complain about the noise in the TUB lounge. Guess what - if you want a quiet atmosphere to study in, go to the library. It's really not that complicated. 'Student Union Building' doesn't mean 'study room.'"*

*"I am fed up with the incompetence of the computer information staff. This network sucks. I feel the college should terminate the use of Novell or the jobs of those who provide this service."*

*"I thought it was AWE-SOME how many fellow students showed up at JT's Cafe last Friday to support DJ Zaccari."*

*"When the cafeteria is crowded, sometimes I can't find a seat. Why doesn't the cafeteria have enough room to accomodate its students?"*

**"WE NEED A NEW PRESIDENT!"**

*"If the majority of a class gets a C or D on a test, something is wrong. And it is not the students."*

**"Anything Goes is awesome. It sucks that no one else can get tickets though."**

*"I hate registration! The people who register me never know what they are doing."*

*"I think we should consider settling the presidency race by flipping a coin. It's a draw anyways."*

## Our View: And the President is..?

The media predicted a close election, but Election 2000 has brought new meaning to that idea.

Election night came and went with both candidates having been announced President and both having the title stripped from them.

Now, the country has the Sunshine State under the magnifying glass, anxiously awaiting the recount efforts. There are lawsuits against the state of FL, controversy over lost ballots and certain ballot format under fire.

Meanwhile, the nation and the world in fact hangs in the balance wondering when the 43rd president will be announced.

It seems that after the election, which many look to for answers, now there seems to be more questions than answers.

The first issue under scrutiny is whether the Electoral College should be eliminated. Gore captured the popular vote hands down; many citizens believe he should win because of this fact.

However, according to the procedure set by the Constitution, the electoral vote based on popular votes will carry a candidate. The fact of the matter is the Electoral College was set in place as a safeguard against ignorant voters.

Even if the Electoral College should be eliminated down the road, these were the rules set in place for this election that shouldn't even be questioned.

Next, on the hot seat is the issue of the confusing ballot in West Palm Springs, FL. The ballot format, referred to as a "butterfly ballot," had to be approved by an approved

Democratic official before it could be used in a county. Also, the ballot has been used in past elections and has not caused complaints. Therefore, since it had been already approved and previously used, it should hold up. The blame for this error should be left to the voters. If they would have taken their time, they would have realized the format and that, though misleading, the candidate-selection labeling was clearly identified. What's even

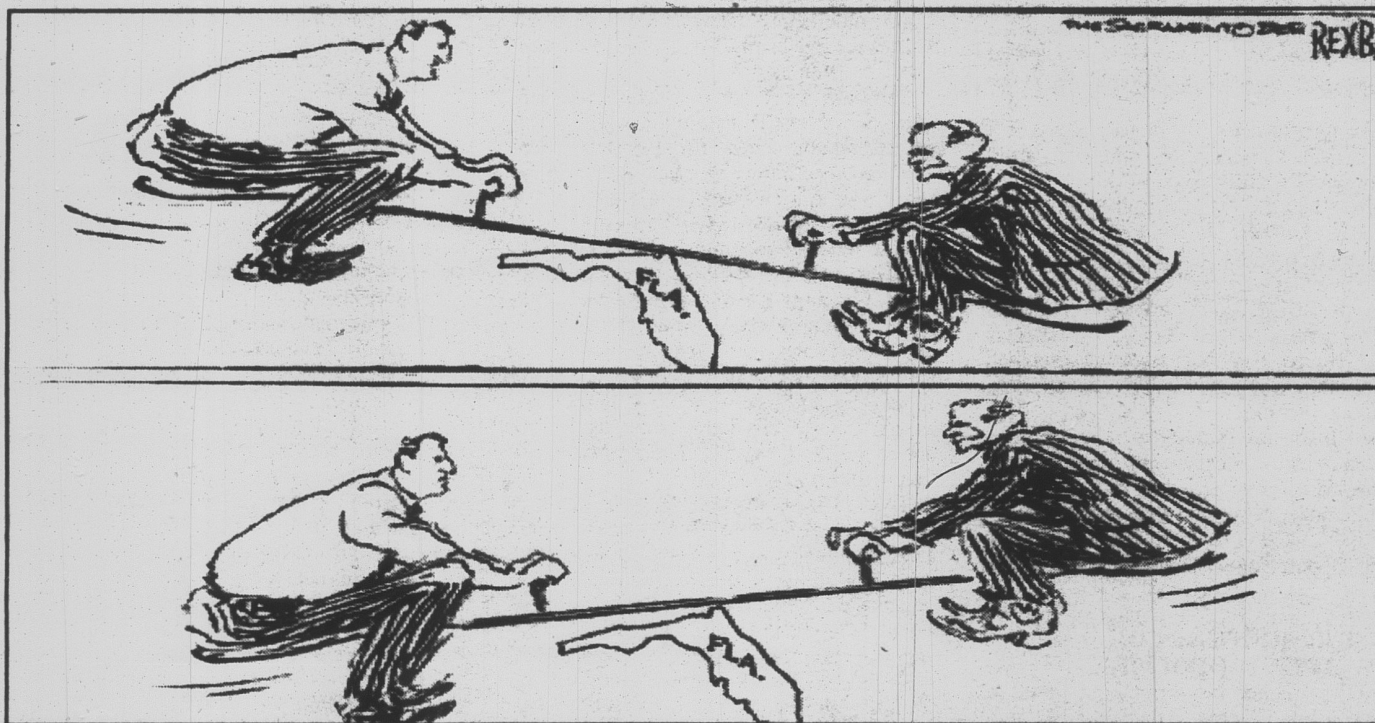
*"Even if the Electoral College should be eliminated down the road, these were the rules set in place for this election; that shouldn't even be questioned."*

more ironic is that the ballots were actually made easier to read for the aging community in that area of FL. This community registered a large portion of their voters to the Reform party; actually, a statistic from CNN said the numbers were up 110% from 1996. Some of the voters are now demanding a revote. The problem with this is those who really did vote for Buchanan have more of a tendency to jump to the Gore ballot simply to keep Bush out of office. Also, as the political strategist for Bush put it, "The Constitution says that we

should have one day of voting not that we should keep voting until someone is pleased."

It wasn't just in Florida that errors occurred in the voting process. Errors are bound to occur no matter what precautions are taken. But the fact of the matter is that they have always occurred. Who can say that if we would be able to go back and recount all the votes that we would have different presidents in the past. This is a problem that does need to be dealt with in Election 2004, but for this election, we should consider it signed and sealed. The numbers should stand at what they are, no matter what they are. Of course the recount should have taken place because there was a preset law governing this issue, but re-voting is not something that should even be considered. This is not the time to rewrite the Constitution. You can't change the rules of the game in the middle of the match. Besides, if Florida re-votes, the rest of the country should vote too. The information of how all the other states voted and what is needed for Bush/Gore to win makes a revote even more unfair than the issues currently at hand.

So we, as a country, might not have the best policy, but it's the way it was set up and until now, there hasn't been too much of an uproar. So change the way things are done for the 2004 election; there definitely needs to be an investigation into many of the procedures. But as far as Election 2000 and its policies go, they should already be sealed. The loser should deal with the count and be a good sport.



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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

"Homophobia, or fear and hatred of lesbians and gay men, is stronger than ever as we approach the twenty-first century." This sentence appeared in the flyer introducing lesbian author and activist Leslea Newman, who lectured in Wallace Memorial Chapel on September 26.

Granted, there are many gay-bashing Americans who hate homosexuals. But while hatred and violence toward all minorities is to be deplored, not all who oppose homosexual behavior are homophobic.

Those who look to the Bible, instead of to culture, for moral guidance are convinced that homosexual practice, as well as heterosexual license, is sinful. This is the clear testimony of Scripture: e.g., 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 -- "Don't you know that the wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God? Neither the sexually immoral nor idolators nor adulterers nor male prostitutes nor homosexual offenders nor thieves nor the greedy nor the drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God." (NIV)

How, then, can Christians condone or approve conduct the Bible declares to be sinful? Not to do so doesn't make one a homophobe. I neither fear nor hate homosexuals. I believe they should be treated with fairness and compassion. But I pray that homosexuals and all of us poor sinners will earnestly repent of our sins, whatever they may be (and mine are many!), throw ourselves on God's mercy, and accept the pardon He freely offers us through Jesus Christ.

"God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God." (1 Corinthians 5:21) How thankful we should be that although God hates sin, He loves sinners of whatever race, color, religion, or sexual orientation!

In the interest of fairplay, how about a lecture by a non-homophobic but anti-homosexual lifestyle speaker? Or is tolerance just a one-way street?

Joseph M. Hopkins  
Emeritus Professor of Religion

## Robert Novak: Setting the electoral record straight

WASHINGTON (CNN) — There has been so much nonsense dispensed during the past 24 hours, that it might be well to set the record straight on a few points: The Electoral College is not a hateful anachronism that stifles democracy. Rather, it protects the Republic and its citizens from a disputed nationwide popular vote that in a close election—such as this one—could lead to chaos. The institution also confirms that this is a republic, not a pure democracy, and protects the federal nature of our government.

The presidential electors are not free agents who pick and choose their presidential candidates. Rather, they are party loyalists who can be depended on to automatically vote for the candidate of their party. A Republican elector in the state of Florida (or anywhere else) is elected only if George W. Bush carries the state and he is then expected to vote for Bush in the electoral college. The elector's name does not even appear on the ballot in nearly all states.

The current process taking place in Florida is merely a recount, required by state law because the election is so close. There have been no allegations of fraud, and the recount mechanism has nothing to do with fraud. Even the peculiar complaint that old people in Palm Beach could not understand the ballot does not fall under the recount mechanism. It would require a complaint in court, which would have little or no chance of making progress.

The chances that George W. Bush's 1,800-vote margin in Florida will be significantly changed by this recount are just about zero. Recounts seldom ever change things in Florida, or anywhere else.

All this leads to one unmistakable destination: Bush will be elected as the 43rd president of the United States when the Florida recount is finished. The talk by overheated Democrats—including some aides to Vice President Al Gore—of somehow turning the outcome around is not realistic and not helpful.

Such talk also obscures a careful look at the reality of what happened Tuesday: a virtual dead heat. Gore could not attract Republican voters. Bush did about as poorly in winning over Democratic voters. The independent vote was split.

Thus, Tuesday's vote reflected the real decision in today's American political and ideological opinion.

The question is how far the Gore campaign will go toward challenging the fairness of the campaign—stringing out the unveiling of a president-elect. If the Gore campaign challenges the recount when it is completed Thursday, then the tension really will be high.

One more point to keep in mind: An unspecified number of overseas ballots, most predictably will be cast for Bush, following the pattern of overseas ballots in Florida.

It's almost surely over, unless Al Gore wants to keep it going.

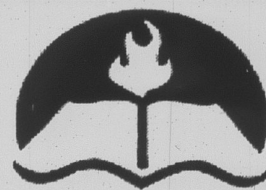
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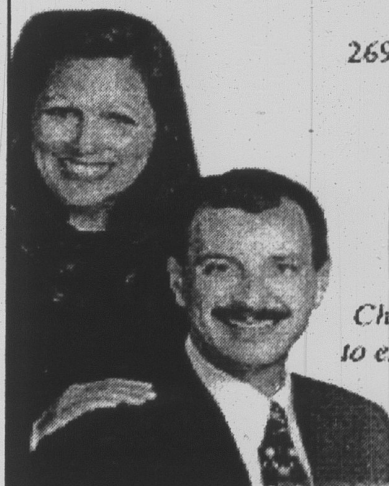
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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Stamper & STALEY

### Beth Staley

*Book of Shadows: Blair Witch 2* opens by showing the frenzy of *Blair Witch* fans and followers flocking to Burkittsville, Maryland, hoping to uncover a supernatural phenomenon. One Burkittsville townie, Jeff Patterson (Jeffrey Donovan), decides to capitalize on the *Blair Witch* mania by organizing a tour through the Black Hills, the site of *Blair Witch Project*. Jeff brings four tourists with him for the first tour.

Members of the group include Tristen Ryler (Tristen Skyler) and Stephen Ryan Parker (Stephen Barker Turner), a couple doing research on the attention given to the *Blair Witch* craze. Kim Diamond (Kim Director) also takes the tour attired in complete black Goth garb. She exercises psychic tendencies that freak everyone out. Also freaking everyone out is Erica Geerson (Erica Leerhsen), the other tourist - a witch who practices Wicca seriously, and plans to make contact with the spirit of the *Blair Witch*, Elly Kidward.

As these five young people camp out on the supposedly haunted grounds, they abuse alcohol and other mind-altering substances. Jeff rigs up video cameras all around them, hoping to catch supernatural action on tape that night. They all plan to stay awake, but eventually they black out, and consequently lose five hours of memory completely.

Filling in these five hours becomes imperative because in addition to massive damage to their campsite, Tristen has a dramatic miscarriage the following morning, and they all find their bodies covered with mysterious wounds. Finally, they recover the videotapes from Jeff's cameras hidden in the same place as the original *Blair Witch Project* tapes.

The ensuing events are psychologically confusing for the five young people, and they have trouble telling what is actually happening. The reason: they brought something back with them from the Black Hills.

*Blair Witch 2* brings great actors and actresses to the screen; they deliver very authentic performances covering terror, anger, suspicion and shock. Jeff, in particular, has a very shady presence marked by a troubling past of mental problems. The characters effectively enhance the frightening drama holding this movie together.

The glue of this *Blair Witch 2* is the loud music and gore. This movie is the thriller of the season, and it serves up fear generously with blood, ghostly apparitions, and cultic undertones. However, the plot leaves much to be desired. It's not hard to follow, just hard to figure out. If the only purpose of the movie is to scare viewers - purpose accomplished! If you require more from a movie, skip this one.

### Joe Stamper

If you hated *The Blair Witch Project*, there is good news. The sequel *The Book of Shadows: Blair Witch 2* is only loosely connected to the first *Blair Witch* movie. However, guess what, you will probably hate this movie too.

The movie takes place in modern-day Burkittsville, Maryland, where the original *Blair Witch*

*Project* was supposed to have taken place. As in many corny sequels, a group of young semi-attractive people journey into the creepy woods where the last group of young up-starts lost their lives.

Burkittsville native Jeff Donovan organizes a tour of the area as a money maker. The movie introduces him through a series of confusing flashbacks and flash forwards as a former mental patient. His tour group consists of a couple seeking to write a book on the phenomenon of the first movie, a young witch who likes to take her clothes off and a psychic Goth girl who stays high (not necessarily on life).

After a night in the woods partying, the group wakes to find their equipment and their campsite destroyed. To make matters worse, no one remembers the events that took place the night before. The group decides to regain their bearings at Jeff's warehouse by going over the footage they shot at the campsite. Once back at the warehouse the group discovers markings on their bodies. That is when *The Book of Shadows: Blair Witch 2* really gets started.

### Stamper's Four Corner Breakdown

#### Date Movie-5

Granted this movie will scare your date into a cuddle-friendly state of mind, it also may have you a-trembling. Player Tip: if you are faint of heart, avoid this flick and keep your romantic ambitions alive.

#### Special FX-8

There are plenty of ghostly images and freaky sound bytes to keep you on the edge of your seat. None of that shaky camera work from the original film that made most people a little nauseous. The visual effect in this flick is quality.

#### Star Power-4

The entire cast in this flick is relatively unknown, incidentally a quality that I find appealing in a film. Due to a lack of character development, none of these fresh faces have a chance to show their stuff. In short, the performances left much to be desired. One bright spot was actress Kim Director playing Kim the Goth party girl. She started slow, but picked up steam as the film went on.

#### Plot-3

What was the point of the film? I could not tell you and I viewed the film a half hour prior to writing this review. First, there is no *Book of Shadows* in *Book of Shadows: Blair Witch 2*, so what is the point of the title? Second, the movie gives away who survives the ordeal via flash-forwards before the climax in the movie. Finally, the movie does nothing to explain the legend of the *Blair Witch* and it never explains the strange events of the film.

#### Overall: Do not Waste Your Money

There are plenty of decent movies out there to enjoy. Ignore the hype machine and avoid this film. Finally, I suggest that all you die-hard *Blair Witch* fanatics just wait for the video.



## Bon Jovi at Mellon Arena

By Kendra McClymonds  
A&E EDITOR

Great news die-hard eighties music fans! The ultimate rocker of our childhood, Jon Bon Jovi, is coming to Pittsburgh's Mellon Arena this Sun. Nov. 12.

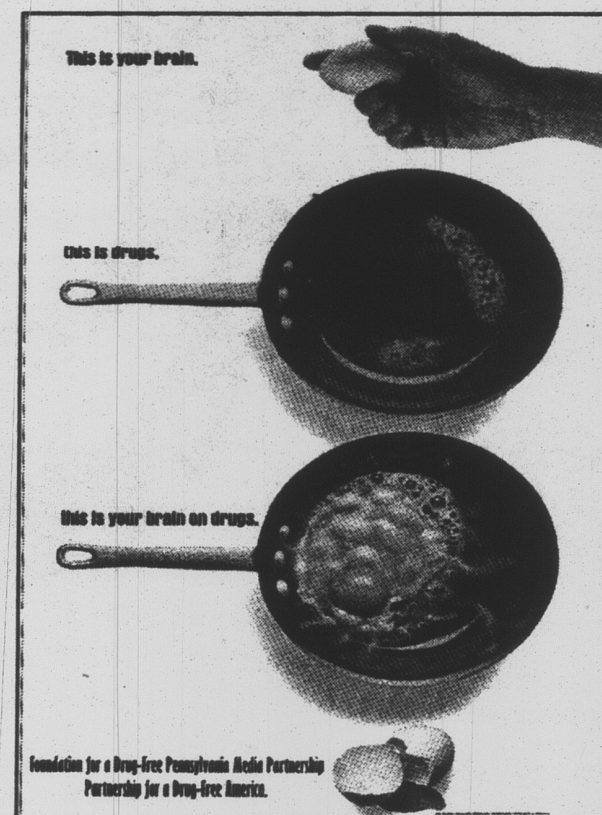
Most of us remember singing along with classic Bon Jovi in front of the mirror with a hairbrush microphone and black plastic shades. Now the band is back with a new song "It's My Life" from their newest album, *Crush*, which was released in mid-June and has sold over 640,000 copies to date. The band's world tour officially got under way on July 12 in Japan.

Tickets are on sale now at the usual Ticketmaster outlets. (Select NRMs, Giant Eagles, and Kaufmann's Department Stores). To charge by phone call 412-323-1919 or to buy them online check out Ticketmaster.com.



Bon Jovi

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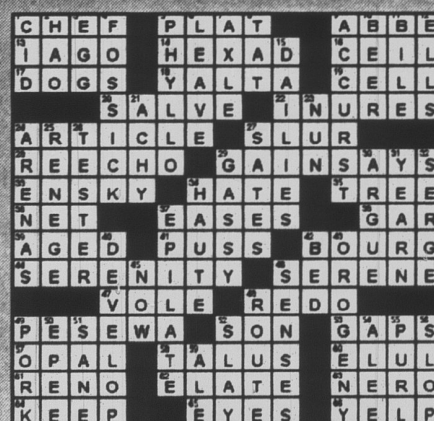
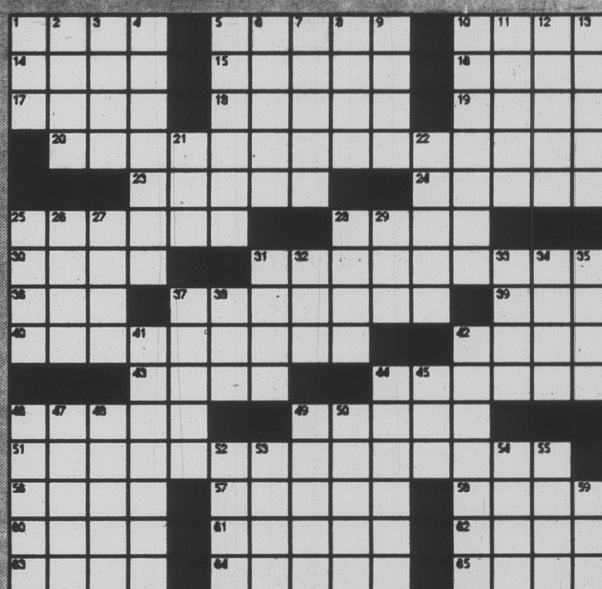
## ACROSS

- 1- Old cloth measures
- 5- Dry stalks
- 10- Basis
- 14- Jump
- 15- Strangle
- 16- Extent of space
- 17- Son of Jacob and Leah
- 18- Gum
- 19- Egyptian goddess of fertility
- 20- Indulge in sentiment
- 23- Titles
- 24- Ascends
- 25- Concocted
- 28- Cook
- 30- Ethereal
- 31- From now on
- 36- Extinct flightless bird
- 37- Suit makers
- 39- Cereal grass
- 40- Near the South Pole
- 42- Rind
- 43- Female rabbits
- 44- Resembling tweed
- 46- Warm
- 49- Guide
- 51- Lacking in appreciation
- 56- Prehistoric sepulchral tomb
- 57- Golf clubs
- 58- Rowing implements
- 60- Fruit of the pine
- 61- Scorch
- 62- Inhabitant of Denmark
- 63- Poker stake
- 64- Leg joints
- 65- Killed

## DOWN

- 1- Former measure of length
- 2- Dreg

- 3- Wash
- 4- Thicket
- 5- Economize
- 6- Topic
- 7- Flowers
- 8- Related by blood
- 9- Departed
- 10- Court attendant
- 11- Upbeat
- 12- Grasp
- 13- Relaxes
- 21- 19th letter of the Greek alphabet
- 22- Regions
- 25- Mother
- 26- Great age
- 27- Damn
- 28- Crocodile
- 29- Pronoun
- 31- Strikes
- 32- Biblical high priest
- 33- Woody plant
- 34- Having eyes
- 35- Depend
- 37- Band
- 38- Very skilled person
- 41- Person who is adopted
- 42- Time spans
- 44- Tantalizes
- 45- Rainy
- 46- Witchcraft
- 47- Negatively charged ion
- 48- Contraction of has not
- 49- Biscuitlike quick bread
- 50- Shade
- 52- Hazard
- 53- Ireland
- 54- South African river
- 55- Sea eagle
- 59- Attach by stitches



## HOROSCOPES

## ARIES

You need to expand your circle. Your knack for getting things started will be appreciated by colleagues. You can make an impact on any situation and should make a concerted effort to bring order to any chaos that you encounter.

## TAURUS

Don't let someone charm you into following his or her philosophies. You must come up with your own beliefs, not follow somebody else's. Don't just sit there thinking about what you want to do.

## GEMINI

Be a little selfish and don't feel guilty about it. You have a serious perspective on things, but that's exactly why you will be able to make a difference. You are fair and honorable in all your dealings and will win the respect and admiration of those you meet.

## CANCER

You are ready, willing, and able to take on the best and show how much you have to offer. Don't back down from any competition or opposition. Try not to blow situations out of proportion concerning personal issues.

## LEO

You need to spend time with friends who may be potential mates. Your high energy must be put to good use. Use diplomacy when dealing with friends. Roll up your shirt sleeves, help others and you will gain respect.

## VIRGO

Don't fool yourself; diets and getting in shape take real work. Don't overspend on products that lead you to believe they can do wonders for you. False beliefs could easily lead to disappointment.

## LIBRA

You will often throw caution to the wind and jump into whatever intrigues you with two feet. Your expansive way of viewing things can lead you into difficult scenarios, but your strength of character and diplomacy in dealing with others will help you achieve your goals.

## SCORPIO

Travel could lead to romantic interludes. You'll be surprised at how willing others are to help out. Plan ways to further your goals.

## SAGITTARIUS

You will feel emotionally up and down. Don't take things the wrong way. Your tendency to be overindulgent and sentimental will leave you feeling quite silly later on.

## CAPRICORN

Don't overload your plate or make promises you can't keep. Look into matters that may be secretive. Don't count on getting back money that friends owe you.

## AQUARIUS

You'll be able to get ahead in the beginning of the week, if you are willing to contact those in a position to help. Favors will be granted. Secret enemies may be trying to make you look bad. The best revenge will come through your own successes.

## PISCES

Do things that require physical energy, but don't neglect the ones you love. Include them in your activities. Protect your reputation by keeping your thoughts to yourself and refusing to take part in gossip.

## Musical *Anything Goes* in final two days



Photo By Aly Karg

Cast of "Anything Goes" stands at attention for their sold-out performances this weekend.

By Daesha Falcione  
STAFF WRITER

This year's production of "Anything Goes" combines the talents of both the theater and music departments.

The musical will be performed Nov. 8-11 at 7:30 p.m., and on Nov. 12 at 3 p.m.

"Everybody is getting excited, and is ready to perform the show," junior Bill Weniger said.

Cole Porter wrote "Anything Goes" in 1933. Some of his most popular tunes in the musical include "I Get A Kick Out Of You," "All Through The Night," and "Blow Gabriel Blow."

The musical takes place on an ocean liner traveling from New York to London. Hope Harcourt, played by senior Amy Young, is a debutante engaged to Lord Evelyn Oakleigh,

played by sophomore Richard Leigh. They board the ship expecting smooth sailing, yet that was not the case.

They meet Ms. Reno Sweeney, played by freshman Ashleigh Oram. Sweeney performs in a night club, where Mr. Billy Crocker, played by junior Craig Gottschalk, spends his time.

Crocker, who is in love with Harcourt, tries everything he can to break up the engagement her and Oakleigh. Crocker teams up with Moonface Martin, played by sophomore Justin Kurtz, and together they plot the destruction of the engagement.

Meanwhile, Elisha Whitney, played by sophomore Christopher Nave, has no idea that his employee, Crocker, has stowed away on the ship. In order for Crocker to get away with being on the ship, Martin must steal Whitney's glasses and force him to walk around using binoculars.

As the plot unfolds Evangeline Harcourt, played by junior Janis Sylves, goes into a frenzy as she realizes that her daughter does not want to marry Oakleigh.

"It is almost like the Love Boat meets the Titanic," Weniger said.

This is the first musical the college has performed in a while. Junior Lisa Raidel will add to the performance by bringing out the characters' personalities through music on her trumpet.

"This is the first musical in a while and it has really come together," Raidel said.

It is a musical full of classic humor that promises to keep you on the edge of your seat.

"It will keep you guessing to find out who will end up with each other," Weniger said.

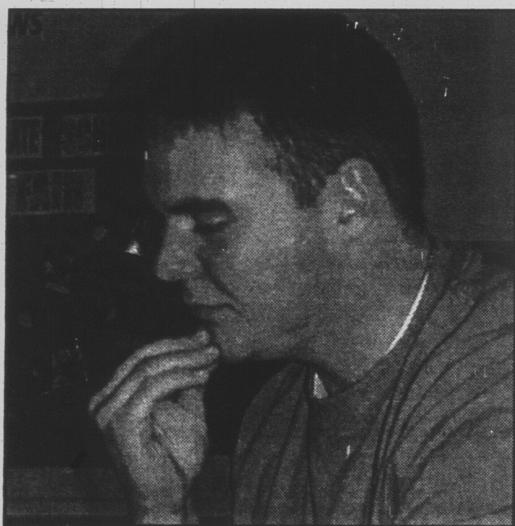


# FEATURE

## We are the people in your neighborhood

This week featuring: John Matthew Dunlap and Karen E. Waldo

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR



**Name:** John Matthew Dunlap  
**Hometown:** Pittsburgh, PA  
**Nickname:** "Pancake"

**Year at WC:** Senior

**Major:** English

**Pet Peeve:** "Slow-driving liberals. Unless I feel like driving slow, then I dislike people who drive fast."

**SB:** I just watched *Stand By Me* for the first time not so long ago. Who was your best friend when you were 12? Where is he now? Did you ever go searching for a dead body?

**Pancake:** Geoff Butia and he's at Penn State; he's a senior. And yes, we've searched for carcasses.

**SB:** What is your sign? Do you feel that it has any impact on your life?

**Pancake:** Aquarius-no, I don't feel it has any impact on my life, but it has been on the money a few times.

**SB:** Do you have a personal quote or a quote that you live by? Please enlighten us.

**Pancake:** "It's better to be hated for who you are than loved for what you're not." People hate me and that [quote] makes me feel better.

**SB:** Are you allergic to anything? Anybody?

**Pancake:** I'm not allergic to anything, but there are definitely people I'm allergic to. I got hives once.

**SB:** What was the last dream you had?

**Pancake:** I was trapped in a taxi driving through a city. Dr. Rennie was the driver and he said the only way I could get out at my stop is if I wrote a philosophical essay explaining why one presidential candidate was better than the other. I couldn't formulate any clear thoughts so I just kept kicking the doors and rolling around.

**Name:** Karen E. Waldo

**Hometown:** Medina, OH

**Nickname:** "Bo" It's short for "Bo-peep"

**Year at WC:** "almost my 1st"

**Department:** Titan Card/Student Insurance

**Pet Peeve:** "People who don't follow through with things."

**SB:** I just watched *Stand By Me* for the first time not so long ago. Who was your best friend when you were 12? Where is he now? Did you ever go searching for a dead body?

**Waldo:** Never searched for a dead body. Lori Nettleson and Peggy Smith. Lori's married and I don't know where Peggy is. We weren't friends in high school.

**SB:** What is your sign? Do you feel that it has any impact on your life?

**Waldo:** Libra-definitely. I like things to be balanced.

**SB:** Do you have a personal quote or a quote that you live by? Please enlighten us.

**Waldo:** Not any single one. I always try to do my best, you know, but not any one [quote] I live by every day.

**SB:** Are you allergic to anything? Anybody?

**Waldo:** Broccoli-isn't that fascinating? And dust and mold.

**SB:** What was the last dream you had?

**Waldo:** I was at work and everything was going wrong. Needless to say, I was very tired the next morning.



## Cheating: an issue plaguing men and women

By Alyssa Detore  
STAFF WRITER

I've been thinking a lot about dating and my column lately, and after talking to many of my friends, I decided to address one of the most basic and most common issues in relationships-why do people cheat?

Years ago I relied on the notion that it was always the guys who cheated and couldn't be trusted, but since I've attended this school, I've come to the realization that girls cheat just as much as guys do, if not more. I've learned that girls (because they're so clever) possess the ability to hide it better. Most guys don't expect their girlfriends to be so deceitful and dishonest, so they often neglect to notice the signs. Girls, on the other hand, often anticipate their boyfriends' cheating ways so they recognize the signals immediately. So, the questions for this week:

Have you ever cheated? Why or why not? If you have cheated, did you own up to the devious act, did your partner find out somehow, or is he/she still in the dark?

**Girls:**

Jenn Dlugos, senior: "Yes, I've cheated before because it was easy. He still doesn't know."

Romney O'Shane, sophomore: "I've never cheated, but both of my boyfriends have cheated on me and it's a horrible feeling."

Shay Stewart, senior: "Unfortunately, yes. I really never meant to hurt the person(s), but somehow I always seem to get into bad situations. Sometimes I told them, and sometimes I got caught. I'm trying to quit; I'm on a ten-step program."

**Boys:**

John Solo, senior: "Sure I've cheated because she was hot and I was at the right

place at the right time. She still doesn't know. I didn't tell her because her fish died that same week and I didn't want to upset her any more."

Joe Korcinsky, junior: "No, I've never cheated. (Me-Really?) I swear I haven't because of the fear of being caught. I've seen what's happened to some of my friends and I don't want that. I do think that guys do more of the cheating, but mainly because we get caught more often than girls."

Adam Jones, senior: "Yes, I've cheated before in a past relationship. I cheated because of my inability to control my inhibitions when under the influence of alcohol. She never found out because my own recollection of the incident is still fuzzy. I warn others to not follow in my path and take the higher road of love."

## To have a car

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR

I want a car. I don't own a car. I have never owned a car. I have only been in one accident and it doesn't count because it was not on my insurance, nor did I get any points on my license for it-and it was a really bad intersection, seriously.

I didn't get my license until I was 18. When I turned 16, I wasn't even interested in driving. My friends or parents took me anywhere I needed to go. Also, I had this demented idea in my head that Driver's Ed would be a useful class that would be necessary for my full absorption of driving knowledge. By the time I was 17, my mother insisted I learn how to drive. We only possessed one car-a '94 Volkswagen Jetta. Nice car, but it had a manual transmission. I had never driven a car before and now I had to learn how to make it change gears and maneuver it. I was terrified-so terrified I never asked to go driving. My mom had to force me. I was so afraid I was going to wreck her car somehow. I used to get so nervous my entire back would tense up until my back muscles began to spasm. It was horrible.

With a lot of patience on my mother's behalf, I got more comfortable and decided I would take my driver's test. We agreed that my father would take me because his car was an automatic-although I was capable of driving a stick-shift car I didn't think it would be very impressive if I stalled during the test.

Dad picked me up one morning and we drove down to York, PA for the driver's test. As standard procedure, the Penn Dot employees requested my father's license and registration. After examining his identification, they refused to let me take the test. My father's license had expired five days before! They wouldn't bend the rules.

When I returned home my mother agreed she would take me the next week and we would borrow my dad's car. Again, we drove down to York, and this time I took the test without any technicalities getting in the way. And luckily, I passed.

Soon after obtaining my license, I went away to school. I got most of my driving experience when I started working for my father and now consider myself a fairly proficient driver. (I spent years terrified of the highway-I'm an odd girl.)

Since my employment with my father, I've jokingly and not so jokingly requested that he give his 1997 red Jeep Cherokee to me. I never wanted to come on too strong [I never wanted to be told no] and sometimes Dad would say things that made it seem as though I may get the car someday. Through further investigation last summer, I found out that he has absolutely no intention of giving me the Jeep, which technically is property of his business now. His gigantic new house and brand new Volvo further enforce this reality.

Keri, my sister, and I, have access to a car that my mother purchased a few years ago. We allegedly "share" this car, although this summer the ownership of the car somehow unofficially transferred to my-did I mention, younger-sister.

I have always wanted a car at college. Home is far away and rides are hard to come by, and now that I'm off-campus, going to the grocery store is a much more necessary venture. The question is: how do I ask for the car? I don't have any decent argument beyond: I want. I'd like to be able to come home on the weekends if I feel like it; I could visit my sister at W&J; maybe I'd get a job interview at home.

I do realize that not everyone is given a car. But some people are. I know that it is best to work for the things you want. But why can't I be one of those people who is just given a car? I really, really want one. I think I've been good. Please? Pretty please?



# CLASSIFIEDS

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SENIOR PORTRAITS FOR CLASS OF 2001** are scheduled beginning Monday, Nov. 13 at the student lounge in McGill Library. Sign up at the Argo Office, 3rd floor of the TUB.

**TUESDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP** continues Nov. 14, 7 a.m. in Lindley Dining Hall with Melanie Montgomery.

**FOREIGN FILM FESTIVAL** continues Tuesday, Nov. 14, at 8 p.m. in the Down Under with *Wedding in Galilee*. This unique film was produced in Israel to show an Arab point of view. The jacket of this 1987 film indicates that it is "a richly-detailed allegory of marriage, tradition, and national identity. The elder of a Palestinian village in Israel is given permission to hold a traditional wedding for his son on the condition that the Israeli military governor and his staff be guests of honor at the ceremony."

**FACULTY FORUM** Wednesday, Nov. 15 at 11:30 a.m. in Patterson 131 features "Come With Us to Italy" with Dr. Carol Bove and Dr. Phyllis Kitzerow.

**THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE'S STUDENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM** continues year-round, however, the next applicable application deadline date is November 1 for consideration for internships during summer 2001. The complete Student Intern Program brochure may be downloaded from their web site <http://www.state.gov/www/careers>.

**LIVE AND WORK ON CAPITOL HILL!** Marquette University provides an opportunity for students to experience the American democratic process firsthand. Each student is placed in either a House or Senate

internship. Under supervision of congressional office staff, students fully integrate into life on the Hill. The Internship Program is particularly well suited for students interested in public policy, international trade, world politics and the U.S. political culture. Requirements: University students must hold a minimum GPA of 2.75 and have previous course work in American politics. The approximate cost is \$3600. Students reside in fully furnished apartments in an area of Washington, D.C. readily accessible to the Capitol, grocery stores, and many attractions. Students will earn 6 credit hours in the program that runs from May 21-July 13, 2001. For more information call 1-800-544-1789.

**CHAOTE ROSEMARY HALL** Summer Programs has 30-35 teaching intern positions available. They offer high school and middle school programs and various disciplines (i.e. English, Fine Arts, Foreign Language, History/Social Sciences, Mathematics/Computer Science, Psychology, Science, and Student Activities/Athletics). The Program dates are June 24-July 27, 2001. The salary is \$2,200 with room and board. Applications need to be turned in between November and December so that interviews can be arranged. Feel free to contact the office with any questions: (203) 697-2365, or email [nmiller@choate.edu](mailto:nmiller@choate.edu). You may also visit their Website at <http://www.choate.edu/summer>.

## WANTED

**PARTNERSHIP FOR SUCCESS (PFS)** is seeking multi-cultural students who are interested in a paid summer internship in all advertising and marketing disciplines: account service, creative, production, media, etc. The deadline for interested students is Jan. 8, 2001 and candidates will be contacted after Mar. 15th to schedule an interview in Chicago. The

Career Center has fact sheets and applications. For more information contact PFS at (847) 375-4728.

**UNION SEMESTER** is a program set up for students interested in social and economic justice and developed by Queens College in collaboration with the New York City Central Labor Council. The program combines rigorous classroom study with a supervised internship. Students work as interns 35 hours per week in organizing, research and communications with labor unions and community organizations. Students enroll in evening courses offered at mid-Manhattan Worker Education Extension Center-one course in labor history and another in contemporary labor issues. Interns earn 12 credits and receive a \$1,600 tuition scholarship and \$210/week stipend from the participating unions and community organizations. The deadline is Nov. 6. Please call with any questions (212) 827-0200, email at [unionsemester@qc.edu](mailto:unionsemester@qc.edu) or obtain information from their website, <http://www.qc.edu/unionsemester>.

**PITTSBURGH VOYAGER** needs qualified interns to join their education staff for the Spring 2001 season running from Mar. to June 2001. They are looking for student interns to assist in facilitating education programs onboard their floating science laboratory. The deadline for fall application is Feb. 1, 2001 and training will begin in early Mar. For additional information call (412) 231-2876.

**CORO FELLOWS PROGRAM** in Public Affairs is a nine-month experiential training program that centers on an intensive engagement with the real world of public affairs. This chapter is located in Pittsburgh. The Fellows Program is rigorous and requires significant commitment on the part of the applicant. The application deadline is Feb. 2, 2001 and applications can be found on their website at <http://www.coro.org>. For more

information please call (412) 201-5772.

**THE INSTITUTE FOR EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING** is looking for students interested in the premier internship program in Washington, DC. The Career Center has more information or visit their website at <http://www.ielnet.org>, email: [info@ielnet.org](mailto:info@ielnet.org) or telephone: 1-800-IEL-0770.

**FOUR DOW JONES** Newspaper Fund Internship Programs are offered during the summer of 2001. The Dow Jones Newspaper fund is offering college juniors, seniors and graduate students the opportunity to apply for one of more than 120 editing internships being offered during the summer of 2001 through three programs. They are: Newspaper Editing Program, Online Editing Program, and Real-Time financial Newswires Program. For more information email: [newsfund@wsj.dowjones.com](mailto:newsfund@wsj.dowjones.com), visit their website: <http://www.dowjones.com/newsfund>, or call (609) 452-2820. The deadline for applications is Nov. 15.

**AULLWOOD**, part of the National Audubon Society serving western Ohio, offers an internships program that pays a weekly stipend of \$70-100. Their goal is to build awareness of and protection for birds, other wildlife and the systems on which they depend. For more information call Aullwood at (937) 890-7360.

**WORLD VISION**, an International Christian Relief and Development agency, is once again seeking determined students for part-time internships for the spring semester in Sewickley. World Vision Relief and Development ships pharmaceuticals, medical supplies, clothing, books, and building materials to World Vision projects in 100 countries around the world. For more information, call Laura Fronko at (412) 749-1800, EXT. 227, or e-mail [lfronko@worldvision.org](mailto:lfronko@worldvision.org).

## Calendar of Events

### FRIDAY 10

#### VETERANS DAY

#### REGISTRATION - TUB A/B

R.S.V.P. Conference in Erie, PA

11:40 a.m. Chapel

5:00 p.m. Swimming vs. Gannon (H)

6:30 p.m. Admissions Office Prospective Student Social - Down Under

7:30 p.m. Theatre Westminster: "Anything Goes" - Beeghly Theater

7:30 and 10:30 p.m. Inquiry Movie: The Insider - Down Under

Kappa Delta Date Party

### SATURDAY 11

#### CAMPUS VISITATION DAY

R.S.V.P. Conference in Erie, PA

1:00 p.m. Football vs. Waynesburg (H)

7:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel

7:30 p.m. Theatre Westminster: "Anything Goes" - Beeghly Theater

8:00 p.m. CPC Presents: Stephen Lynch (comedian) - Down Under

8:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Midnight Madness - Sig Ep House

10:30 p.m. "Anything Goes" Cast Party - TUB Lounge

11:00 p.m. Inquiry Movie: The Insider - Down Under

### SUNDAY 12

R.S.V.P. Conference in Erie, PA

3:00 p.m. Theatre Westminster: "Anything Goes" - Beeghly Theater

3:00 p.m. Student Flute Recital: Melinda Eckles - Chapel

6:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Meeting - Sig Ep House

6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting - Theta Chi House

6:15 p.m. IFC Meeting - Location TBA

7:00 p.m. Vespers

8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230

9:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

### MONDAY 13

#### REGISTRATION - TUB A/B

10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Senior Picture Retakes for ARGO - McGill Library (pink room, basement)

11:40 a.m. Chapel

1:30 - 5:00 p.m. Senior Picture Retakes for ARGO - McGill Library (pink room, basement)

5:15 p.m. Seekers Music Rehearsal - Chapel

5:30 p.m. Panhel - Location TBA

6:00 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112/113

6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House

6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - Location TBA

6:30 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall

6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116

7:00 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311/312

9:15 p.m. Lambda Sigma Meeting - Location TBA

### TUESDAY 14

#### REGISTRATION - TUB A/B

High School Honors Band Auditions

9:30 a.m. CCO Staff Meeting - Down Under

11:15 a.m. Student Life and Athletic Council Meeting - Old Main 210

Noon - 3:30 p.m. Senior Picture Retakes for ARGO - McGill Library (pink room, basement)

4:00 p.m. Last Lecture Series: Dr. Darwin Huey, speaker - TUB Lounge

4:30 - 8:00 p.m. Senior Picture Retakes for ARGO - McGill Library (pink room, basement)

5:00 p.m. SAA Meeting - Location TBA

6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting - PH 231

6:00 p.m. Mortar Board Meeting - HSC 166

8:00 p.m. Foreign Film Festival: "Wedding in Galilee" - Down Under

### WEDNESDAY 15

9:00 am - 12:30 p.m. Senior Picture Retakes for ARGO - McGill Library (pink room, basement)

11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum: Phyllis Kitzerow and Carol Bove, "Come With Us to Italy" - Location TBA

1:30 - 5:00 p.m. Senior Picture Retakes for ARGO - McGill Library (pink room, basement)

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. PNC Recruiter Presentation - TUB A/B

6:30 p.m. Westminster Fund Phonathon - Thompson House

7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116

8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B

8:00 p.m. Student Pre-Law Association Meeting - Location TBA

8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111

9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - Down Under

### THURSDAY 16

Oxfam Fast

1:00 - 7:00 p.m. VACCESS Health Meningitis Immunization - TUB Lounge

4:30 p.m. Student Publications Board Meeting - Old Main 308

5:30 p.m. Phi Sigma Tau Meeting - PH 116

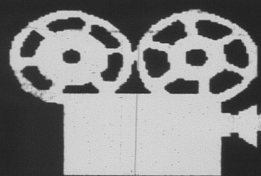
5:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Initiation - TUB A/B

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7:00 p.m. Black Student Union Meeting - PH 231

High School Honors Chorus Festival - Orr Auditorium





## At the Down Under



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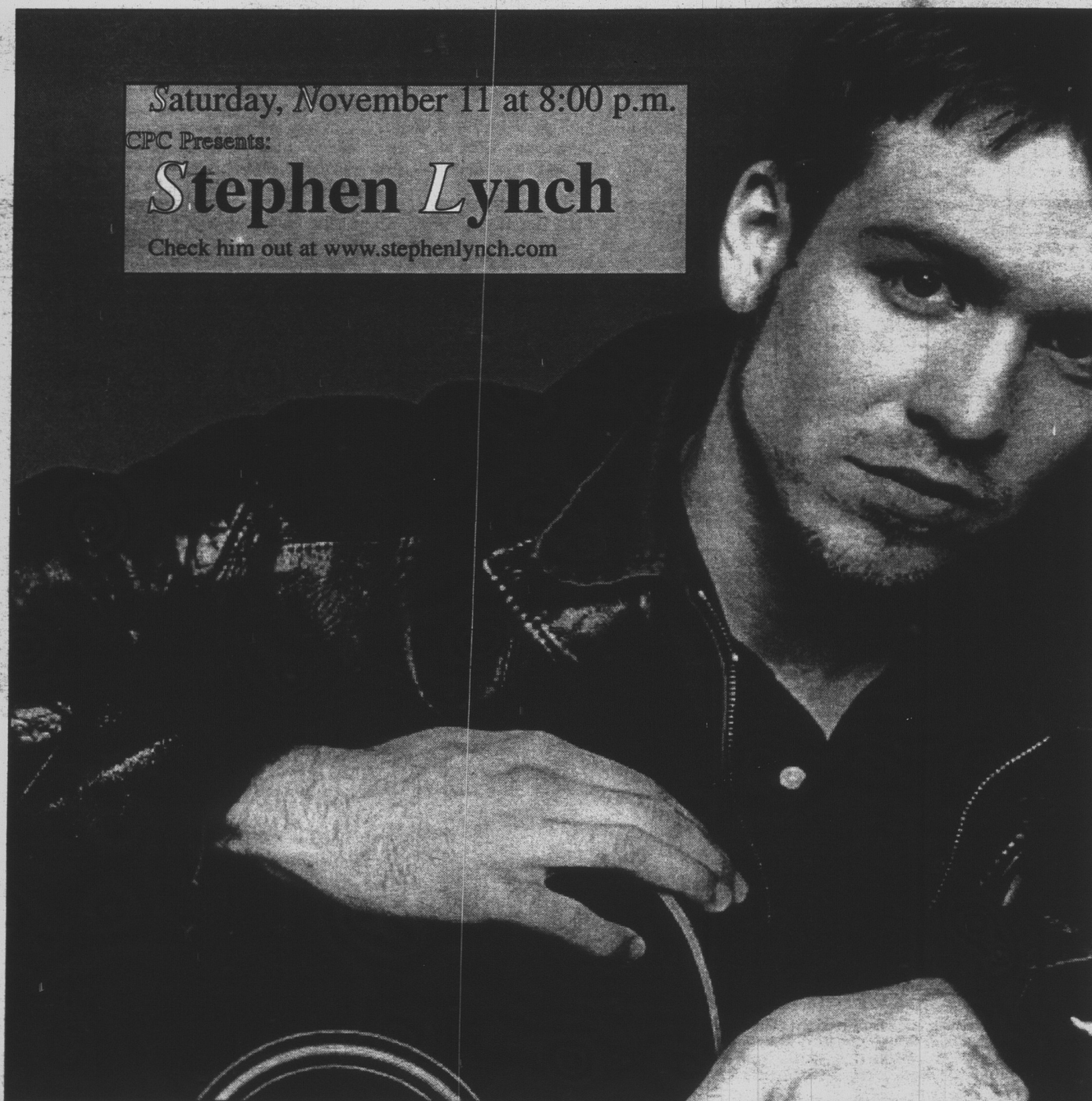
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## It keeps going, and going, and going



TALLAHASSEE, Florida (CNN) Democrat Al Gore's legal team went to court on two fronts -state and federal-Thursdays to oppose George W. Bush and the Republicans, who are trying to stop the hand recount of Florida's presidential ballots.

In Florida, Democrats filed written arguments in Leon County state court to challenge a decision by Republican Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris, a Bush supporter.

Harris has said she would not accept hand recount results when she certifies final totals on Saturday. She said only absentee ballots from overseas, due in by midnight Friday, will be added.

Democrats argue that, if Harris goes through with her plans, she would be violating an order from a state judge who said counties had the authority to continue counting. The Gore side asked for an injunction barring the final certification of the Florida vote until hand recounts are completed and counted.

Latest developments:

- In Atlanta, a U.S. appeals court is considering constitutional issues in the recount battle. The 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which received written arguments from both the Bush and Gore camps, gave them until 7 a.m. Friday to respond, in writing, to what the other side said.

Republicans argue that conducting recounts only in certain counties gives Gore an unfair advantage and violates equal protection provisions under the 14th Amendment. Democrats said the matter is being handled under Florida law, and for the federal court to intervene would be a violation of the 10th Amendment dealing with separation of powers between state and federal governments.

- Broward County resumed its hand recount of votes Thursday morning; Palm Beach County is to decide its next step in the

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## Art exhibit challenges society's view

By Jessica Vituccio  
STAFF WRITER

It sits in the Patterson art gallery, illuminated in the corner, hidden by the partitions. There's a disclaimer and a description. No one's around. You admit to yourself; you want to get in the wheel. But you're not sure if you're really allowed...after all, it is art. And that carrot's pretty shriveled up.

To explain her work, artist Carin Mincemoyer gave a gallery talk on her wooden wheel project and some others Nov. 8. And she wants you to get in the wheel.

"Jump in and participate," Mincemoyer said. "Touch the wheel."

The wheel is meant to symbolize the rat race in society. Art professor Peggy Cox compared the wheel to what some might feel their lives are like. Cox said the wheel represents how we are "running in circles."

Junior Kate McKenzie thinks the wheel is

a great addition to the art exhibit.

"At first I was unsure about what it meant, but once I got in and started walking, I understood the symbolism," she said.

The neckties beside the wheel represent the rat race as being more of a man's game.

"It is still considered a male quality to be business-like and professional," Mincemoyer said.

Mincemoyer received her bachelor's degree of fine arts with a concentration in painting and also attended Temple University for one semester. Though painting was her focus through school, she has not painted anything since that time. Her passion now lies in sculpture and performance work.

Although the other artist featured in Patterson, Christina Anderson, was not able to attend the talk, Mincemoyer and Cox speculated about her work.

Cox described the work as difficult to understand for someone without an art back-

ground, so she gave some tips on how to understand and to better appreciate art.

"Ask questions about what it's made of, (and) link it to something you do know about," Cox said.

The sculptures are made mostly of plastic wrap and packing tape. Mincemoyer explained the dress is made of packing tape with the sticky side out.

"This is about accumulation for Christina," Mincemoyer said.

Anderson takes a feminist approach in her work and uses herself as the subject. She deals with many women's issues about beauty with her work.

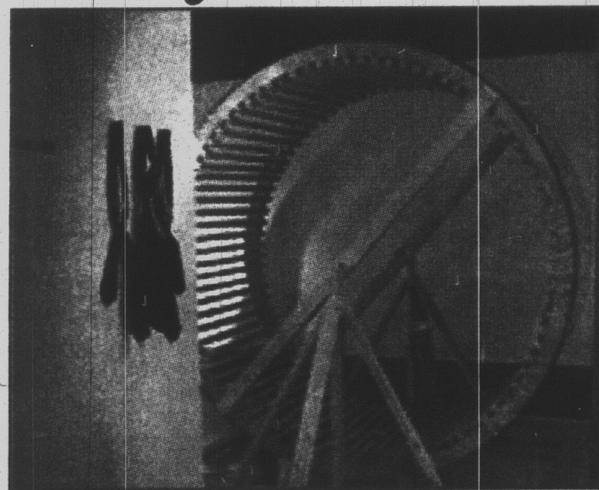


Photo by Courtney Behm

Mincemoyer's wheel and neckties represent the rat race of life.

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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Residence Assistants enforce student handbook

By Garry Gates  
STAFF WRITER

The task of a college resident assistant (RA) is primarily to enforce college policy and to promote community in a hall. In order to do so, RAs are granted rights that help them in this task.

For example, an RA may write up students caught breaking the college's residence hall rules.

Each of the college's 43 RAs have a master key to their buildings, and they may enter a room if they have a reasonable suspicion that college policies are being broken.

An RA can enforce quiet hours after 10:00 p.m. on weeknights, and come back two hours later to tell girlfriends or boyfriends that it's time to go home.

Keep in mind, however, that while RAs

are considered college staff, they are still students, and this tends to raise some issues among the campus community.

One argument among students is whether or not RAs should be allowed to enter a room without the consent of the students living there.

"If there is probable suspicion of a major rule-breaking, then it should be allowed," senior Eichenhauer resident Shawn Martina said. "The rules are fair - they're in everyone's best interest."

RAs are not allowed to enter a room unless they feel that rules are being broken, with the exception of breaks and holidays, when RAs must enter every room to make sure everything is unplugged, the windows are locked, etc.

Sophomore Eichenhauer RA Jason Alcorn explains that the job can be hard at times.

"I don't like being put in a position where I have to reprimand my friends, but yet I have to because it's part of my job," Alcorn said.

He also made it clear that RAs have minimal freedoms and are bound by the student handbook just like any other student.

"We do not hunt for illegalities - we only take action if something is obvious," Alcorn said.

In this case, should students worry about their privacy being put in jeopardy by an RA? Junior Jeffers resident director (RD) Kelly Coldren, believes that RAs are very responsible and trustworthy people.

"We really look for people that can be trusted when we interview for RA positions. By the end of a year, it's almost like they (the RAs) become more like a friend than an RA," Coldren said.

The interview process for RAs is very

extensive, to ensure that the right people are selected for the job.

Assistant Dean of Student Affairs Molly Burnett is in charge of the interview process. She said "they (RAs) are to be held accountable" should something go awry.

Each situation is "case sensitive" when it comes to dealing with problems involving an RA, she explained.

"They (RAs) go through the same judiciary process as other students," she added.

Although RAs are responsible for enforcing the rules, they also work to promote community throughout a residence hall, and many students feel that RAs exceed their level of expectation.

"I think the RA staff is very well trained and knowledgeable; not only about their individual buildings, but also about the campus," sophomore Amanda Kengersky said.

## Christian Outreach travels to RSVP conference

By Robin Frost  
STAFF WRITER

Over 230 college students attended the RSVP Conference in Erie Nov. 10-13.

The evangelistic conference is sponsored each year by the Coalition for Christian Outreach.

The CCO is a ministry that helps guide students through their critical college years. It also helps students who want to develop their Christian faith.

The CCO on campus is made up of nine ministers, including four RDs.

Erin Heasley, who has the dual responsibility of being RD of Shaw Hall and serving as a campus minister for CCO, notes that because four out of the nine ministers are RDs and three are involved in the Titan Traverse

program, they are very involved with students.

Heasley said that living with the students has made it much easier to have direct contact with more of them. Holding Bible studies and bringing students to churches are a couple of the ways she ministers.

The conference, entitled, "It's a Hard Knock Life," tackled issues important to many students. The goal was to help them move on from past pain.

Students chose which two of eight seminars they wanted to attend. Topics for these seminars included issues such as success, sexuality, relationships, fulfillment, responsibility and service.

The main speaker Bart Campolo, a popular orator at the conferences, works in youth ministries.

Although the conference was open to all college students, CCO minister Melanie Montgomery said that the CCO staff is careful in its advertisement of the event.

"It's kind of an intimidating thing," Montgomery said. "We wonder if it sounds too pushy - you need help...come find the answers at RSVP."

Instead of advertising all over campus, they advertise to students they are involved with and ask them to spread the word to their friends.

They were happy with the turn-out of 12 who represented our campus. "We were like 'The Breakfast Club'," Montgomery said. "We went into it as strangers and came out best friends."

Montgomery emphasizes that the conference is a positive, life-changing event, one

that few students have ever regretted attending.

Darren DePaul, another CCO campus minister and RD of Russell Hall, joined Montgomery to speak in one of the eight seminars offered.

Their seminar entitled, "Mars and Venus in the 'Real World'," focused on gender relations and building various relationships. Out of the 230 students in attendance, 120 picked this as one of their two seminars to listen to.

In addition to their seminar, DePaul and Montgomery joined the other CCO ministers in answering questions.

All in all, the CCO thought the conference was a success. "I had some great conversations - some hard conversations that brought up a lot of emotion," Heasley said. "It was an awesome weekend."

## Debate team to begin next fall; tournaments include Ohio State

By Jacquelyn Selznick  
STAFF WRITER

Speech professor, James Cherney, who was hired to start debate forensics, will also start a debate team next fall.

There will be a yearlong program that will start in Sept. and end in April with its members hopefully making it to nationals.

Cherney feels the debate team can be used as an excellent educational tool. "It is one of the most valuable things you can do as an undergrad," Cherney said. "It provides students with a wonderful opportunity to communicate their critical reasoning and thinking skills, which are used in almost every profession."

Anyone interested can be part of the team. "There will be tryouts, but that does not mean that anyone cannot do it," Cherney said. "It will just give me the opportunity to know what level the student is at."

Cherney is confident that participation in the program will greatly improve debating skill. "Students with better debating skills will have a stronger role on the team, but those who are just beginning should ultimately improve," Cherney said.

The team will mainly travel locally.

Tournaments are already set at such schools as Bloomsburg University, Ohio State University and Marietta College, with others to be announced. Eventually tournaments will also be held here.

A swing tournament, which is a two-day event held at two separate schools, is already planned between our future team and Geneva. It is tentatively scheduled for Feb. of 2002. Currently, Cherney is looking for approval to allow debate team participation to count for one practicum credit. Students will participate at different levels, so not everyone on the team will receive the credit, only active participants.

The team will offer officer positions, whether in a captain structure or president/chair form. One student who is interested in filling one of those positions is sophomore political science major Chris Nave. "I think the debate team is a great thing, because people need to learn how to effectively speak their mind," Nave said.

Interested students can look for tryouts sometime next semester. Those who have taken oral interpretation, public persuasion or advanced public speaking will not need to try out.

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# TitanNet software problems leave students frustrated

By Nicholas D'Antonio  
STAFF WRITER

Web Access and Titan Net have been experiencing some technical difficulties over the last few weeks.

The problems have ranged from software blocking every message sent to the campus, to patches on servers that sent e-mails into oblivion. The most recent problem in the system was a fault in the wiring of the main core switch.

Representative of a majority of the student population, senior Kenneth Weaver is not pleased.

"This stinks," he said. "I've spent four years here, and the system never seems to be working when I need it to."

Enterprise Network Manager Kelly Hartner installed a software program that was supposed to block mass advertisement e-mail, also known as spam mail. The software ended up blocking all e-mail trying to be sent from off campus.

The patches were installed on the servers to fix bugs in the system, but the patches ended up sending e-mail and their attach-

ments into cyberspace, never to be seen again.

"Everything seems to be fixed now," Hartner said. "It can definitely happen again, though. For example, when Novell is installed on a new computer and then AOL is installed, the patches can mess each other up. Novell didn't even know there was a problem with the patch until I informed them."

The latest batch of trouble from the computer center came from the wiring in the system. The wires that go from the computer into the wall run through a main core switch before they reach the server. Somewhere in the switch was a wiring fault that interfered with the logging on process.

"It doesn't make any sense that sometimes when I log on about noon, everything downloads super-fast, and then the next day, at the same time, it runs super-slow," sophomore Tony Arrigo said.

"The biggest breakdown is the time it takes to hear that something is wrong," Hartner said. "I also need to know when the server is slow so we can judge if we need another server to speed up access."

Web Access also limits the number of users at a time. It has a built-in default that will

put up a message saying the server is full and to try back later.

Users can prevent this by clicking on the "log-off" door icon to the left of the screen when they are leaving Web Access. If the door isn't clicked, the user might be done, but the system still recognizes the connection and limits the number of users at one time. This also slows the system down.

"I don't really approve of computer networks because of my experiences with my high school network," freshman Nick White said. "Titan Net is definitely a step up, even though sometimes it does run slow. I really like the e-mail thing because it helps me keep in touch with all my friends."

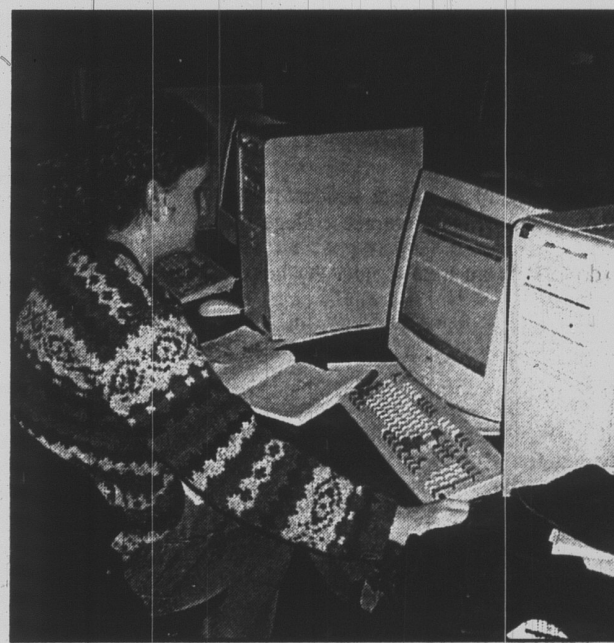


Photo by Heidi Krieger

Students have often become frustrated with the frequency of the server going down.

# Color printers could limit number of pages printed

By David C. Field  
STAFF WRITER

Soon students may be limited in how many pages they can print in computer labs. A plan to be implemented next year features a new printing system that would regulate the number of printed pages allowed per user in the computer labs.

During winter break, a professional vendor will check the compatibility of the new system against the college's software and hardware. If no problems exist, the plan, which will require debit cards, will be put into operation.

In the long run there will be new laser

printers added to the labs, enabling students to have the option of color or black and white prints.

The college will charge students an estimated five cents per black and white copy. A price has not yet been determined for color prints.

Sophomore Erika A. Peterson, a neuroscience major, disagrees with the new system. "I don't think that we should have to pay," Peterson said.

Currently 5,000 sheets of paper are used weekly at the Patterson Computer Lab.

Paul Wallace, director of information systems and co-chair of Instructional Resources Council (IRC), believes that this new system,

if applied, will not only save the college money but will help the environment by saving paper.

The college learned of the debit system from Youngstown State University, which recently implemented this system.

"So far YSU has reported that this new addition to their computer labs has helped regulate the abuses of printing and has offered students the option of using a color printer," Wallace said.

According to Computer Information Systems employee Lynn Foltz, if implemented this system could help the college regulate the number of prints.

"This would cut back on maintenance,

paper, money spent and help students become familiar with their R drive," Foltz said.

The cost of maintaining a color printer could be up to three times as much as the black and white printers used now.

Junior Rodolfo Sant'Anna expressed his thoughts on the new system.

"I agree we need to save paper but there must be some other alternative where we, the students, don't have to pay," Sant'Anna said. "I think that the tuition here is pricey enough to cover our printing costs."

The IRC is in charge of organizing the project. This council consists of faculty, staff, and students. They will meet next week to further the school's plan for this future system.

# Students impressed with Sodexho-Marriott changes

By Tara Crawford  
STAFF WRITER

In the spring of 1999, Sodexho-Marriott signed a 12-year contract to serve the campus and community with dining services. The services include breakfast, lunch and dinner in two cafeterias as well as in the TUB, and even catering.

Before signing the contract, there were two buffet lines offering the same selections. Now students have a variety to choose from with more than four different main entrees.

Senior Shawn Martina likes the setup.

"The different stations are much better than before," he said. "I like the variety and so many different selections."

General manager Jeff Creveling believes that the new style is a great way for students to see their food being prepared and also to select items in a more individualized way.

As varied as the meal options may be, there will always be complaints.

"I hear many people complain about the lack of options and the lack of quality in the cafeteria, but they do not understand the difference Sodexho-Marriott has made and the strides we have come," Martina said. "It is a great improvement."

To create more satisfaction with the services and selections, Sodexho-Marriott encourages students to state their opinions. Without feedback, improvement is difficult.

One way of doing this would be to contact senior Jeff Kovacs. Kovacs is an SGA representative and also chair of the Food Advisory Committee.

The company plans to continue improving their services and menu by offering more meal plans including dine dollars.

In addition to their recent "Extreme Cuisine" night in the cafeteria on Wednesday, Sodexho-Marriott will also host the "Bi-annual Cram Jam" to be held the night of Reading Day.

"Westminster is a great place to work with a great student body," Creveling said. "We look forward to continuing our relationship with the college."

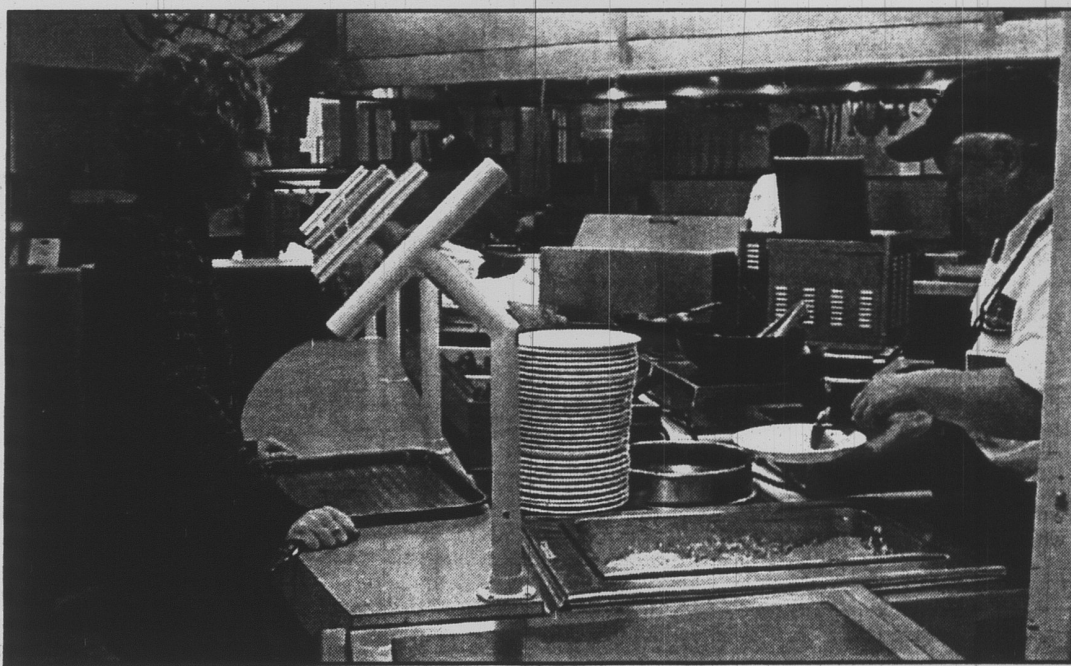


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# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Discrimination case pending after SRU man is fired

By Milan Simonich  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

John Bavaro claimed he was fired from the faculty of Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania because he is a man.

He said he got the boot while certain female teachers with lesser qualifications got promoted.

Now, Bavaro will be reinstated and receive \$100,000 in exchange for dropping his sexual discrimination lawsuit against the school.

The State System of Higher Education, Pennsylvania's public university system, will pay another \$136,146 to Bavaro's lawyer, James B. Lieber of Pittsburgh. The state also will pay \$13,854 to cover Bavaro's and Lieber's expenses related to the case, which spanned four years.

That means the total cost of the settlement

to Pennsylvania taxpayers will be \$250,000. Bavaro, 51, will return to work at Slippery Rock on Jan. 11, the beginning of the next semester.

The settlement agreement, obtained yesterday by the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, mandates that Bavaro resume his old rank of assistant professor in Slippery Rock's allied health department. His annual salary will start at \$53,276.

He also has been assured that he will be considered for promotions and tenure, the distinction college professors covet.

In addition, colleagues who spoke or wrote negatively about Bavaro will be prohibited from ever again evaluating his work as a professor. All of Bavaro's work evaluations must be done by people who played no role in his sex discrimination lawsuit.

"I think it is a fair resolution," Lieber said. "John Bavaro is a very capable, talented per-

son. It's good that he will be able to teach and benefit the university again."

Slippery Rock President G. Warren Smith declined to discuss Bavaro's return or the settlement.

"This is a personnel matter, and the university does not comment on personnel matters," Smith said.

Bavaro was hired at Slippery Rock in August 1993 and fired in May 1997. He called the decision devastating, saying it hinged not on his skill but on his gender.

Bavaro contended that he was judged by a higher, harsher standard than various female teachers at Slippery Rock. His credentials and student approval ratings, he said, were higher than certain women who remained on staff and received promotions to tenured positions.

Bill Williams, president of the faculty union at Slippery Rock, said the case was a painful one for the university of 7,000 stu-

dents.

"I'm never happy that the institution has to spend that type of money to resolve a problem," he said.

Bavaro received a negative evaluation from colleagues that contributed to his firing. Because both he and some of those who criticized his classroom effectiveness were union members, Williams took no position on who was right or wrong.

Had Bavaro been a tenured professor, he would have had the clout of the union behind him in seeking reinstatement. Without tenure, he was left to fight on his own for reinstatement.

He sued Slippery Rock in federal court in March 1998. Both sides lined up witnesses and took depositions, but they also began settlement negotiations that ended the case without Bavaro making his claims in a courtroom.

### Carlow College pursues name change to university standing

By Bill Schackner  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

If Carlow College gets its way, Oakland will soon have a third university.

The private, mostly women's college says its academic offerings and enrollment have grown considerably over the past decade. So it has decided to seek a name change that it says more accurately reflects what the school founded in 1929 by the Sisters of Mercy has become.

Carlow President Sister Grace Ann Geibel has briefed school trustees on the plan. She said the school in the coming weeks will notify the state Department of Education and officials responsible for accrediting the campus.

Carlow leaders hope they can complete the change within three years, Geibel said.

"We are no longer just a small liberal arts college for women. We are diverse," she said yesterday. "We have evolved into a comprehensive institution of higher learning."

The school has increased the number of graduate degree offerings from three in 1995 to eight, and there are two more on the drawing board.

Carlow is the second Pittsburgh college in recent weeks to say it intends to pursue university status. Point Park College, a school with 2,800 students, also wants to make the switch.

If the name change goes through, don't expect to find the word "sprawling" on any

Carlow University brochures. The campus of 2,100 students encompasses just 14 acres off Fifth Avenue and is dwarfed by its neighbors up the street — the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University, where student enrollments total 33,000 and 7,500, respectively.

Carlow's modest size isn't a detriment, Geibel said. Instead, she called it an advantage that could help Carlow distinguish itself from other area universities.

Though the school's enrollment has doubled since 1989, the faculty-to-student ratio hovers around 15-to-1, and enrollment would not likely top 3,000 should Carlow become a university, Geibel said. Carlow will remain primarily a teaching institution, and any

research on campus likely will be aimed at better preparing students for their disciplines.

Nationwide, several dozen large and small private colleges have become universities since 1995. Some did so to reflect new graduate degrees, more diverse undergraduate offerings or new locations where they offer courses.

Since last year, the state Department of Education has approved two such changes in Pennsylvania, spokesman Dan Langan said. The Philadelphia College of Bible received approval to operate as a university and the Philadelphia College of Textiles and Sciences was granted approval to rename itself Philadelphia University.

### Carnegie Mellon hopes to get a graduate into the Oval Office

By Bill Schackner  
POST-GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

Carnegie Mellon University has churned out its share of Hollywood stars over the years. It has programmed robots for space exploration. It has even talked about growing human organs one day.

Quite a set of accomplishments for a campus that 100 years ago was nothing more than a cabbage farm.

Yet how many of its graduates have gone on to occupy the Oval Office? How many of its alumni have ended up a prime minister?

If you guessed zero, you are correct.

And that ought to change, Carnegie Mellon President Jared Cohon says. As the school prepares to mark its 100th birthday Wednesday, its leaders are taking a hard — and some might say unusual — look at what the school's place should be as it enters its second century.

For Cohon, one thing seems clear. A school that has left its mark on movie backlots and in the Silicon Valley ought to produce a wider array of leaders from its student ranks. Not just the CEOs, the technical wizards and the stage performers who have become a school trademark, but graduates who might one day shape the world socially and politi-

cally.

"I want to see at least one president of the United States in the 21st century be a Carnegie Mellon graduate. And I think given our international character and our international aspirations, I'd like to see the head of state in other countries also be Carnegie Mellon graduates," Cohon said.

That intent is a major reason that the school is pushing to broaden the kinds of instruction that its 7,500 students receive. Since last year, a campus that already prides itself on working across disciplines has developed 25 new courses intended to bring together more students from vastly different parts of campus.

By getting drama students involved in computer projects and by encouraging design students to team up with engineers, the school hopes to expose them to fresh perspectives that could make them better leaders.

On the surface, the idea of churning out more global bigwigs sounds like just wishful thinking.

But Cohon said it's more than just pursuit of prestige. It's part of a broader self-examination at Carnegie Mellon, which over a relatively short time has evolved from a trade school into an elite research university.

"If you believe in universities as the insti-



AP File Photo  
Carnegie Mellon President Jared Cohon hopes to produce a President of the United States in the school's next 100 years.

tutions that do much of the shaping in society — not by themselves single-handedly but through their teaching and research — then what your graduates do is a very important indicator of the effectiveness of the institution," he said.

In that vein, knowing your university has

graduated Hollywood stars such as Holly Hunter and Jack Klugman and writer/producer Steven Bochco provides a good benchmark. So does knowing that your computer science program has produced the likes of Jim Gosling, who invented the Java computer language.



## NATIONAL

## Airline labor disputes may slow down holiday travel

By David Field and Marilyn Adams  
USA TODAY

Labor disputes at some major airlines threaten havoc for fliers through year's end as the airlines face their busiest holiday season yet.

United, the nation's largest airline, says illegal job actions by some machinists union members are leading to delays and cancellations. Since spring, United has had the worst delay and cancellation record of any major airline as a pilot protest snarled its summer.

United's Association of Flight Attendants will start leafleting Monday, warning of random flight cancellations at any time in a campaign called CHAOS, for Create Havoc Around Our System.

Delta has warned pilots, now in tense

negotiations, not to engage in any illegal job action over the holidays, such as an organized sickout or a union-led refusal to work overtime.

Northwest faces a possible slowdown by a mechanics union, whose leaders say members are frustrated after four years of contract negotiations. US Airways pilots have filed a grievance over the airline's proposed merger with United. US Airways sees no signs of an impending slowdown.

At United, the prospects of a rerun of the summer's horrors is high. It canceled thousands of flights from May through September when many pilots refused overtime flying - a legal action.

"Unions may take action to disrupt their carriers this holiday season because they saw that the employees at United could disrupt

their company for a whole summer, and they saw that the United employees got away with it," said Joshua Javits, a former National Mediation Board chairman.

United's chief operating officer, Andrew Studdert, charged in a Nov. 10 letter to the International Association of Machinists Lodge 141-M that members had begun "an unlawful concerted job action" by working to rule and grounding planes through an "excessive number of mechanical write-ups."

Lodge President Scotty Ford said it warned members against a slowdown and in a Nov. 14 letter to Studdert called United's letter "an attempt to threaten and intimidate the union." By Wednesday evening, United had canceled 73 flights because of maintenance problems, up from the usual 44 cancellations by that time of day, said United spokesman

Joe Hopkins.

He said 37 jets were out of service for unscheduled maintenance when 12 would normally be in hangars.

The disruptions are "not as severe as last summer's, and they are not affecting safety but are inconveniencing our customers," Hopkins said.

At Delta, "It's a pilot's right in the contract to choose whether or not to fly overtime. We have absolutely no proof that there's any concerted effort (to refuse overtime)," said union spokeswoman Karen McGuffey.

At Northwest, leaders of the mechanics union worry that some members' frustrations will lead to a holiday slowdown. "You bet I'm concerned," said union official Steve MacFarlane.

## —Weird News—

## Stiff candidate not nervous, just cardboard

PHILADELPHIA - If one candidate looked stiff during the debate, it wasn't because he was nervous. He was made of cardboard. The debate on WVE-TV among candidates for the presidency of the Philadelphia NAACP featured three figures sitting at a table - two people and a life-sized image of Thomas D. Logan propped up in a chair. Logan had called before the debate to say that he couldn't make it because of an undisclosed family emergency, but station officials said they felt he should be represented anyway. There was no comment from Logan.

## An unexpected housesitter

ST. CHARLES, Mo. - Timothy Michel got quite a surprise when he called home to check phone messages - someone else

answered. "I thought it was a joke from one of my friends," said Michel, who's on the Lindenwood University wrestling team. "I was going along with it for a while, but then I was like, 'Who is this?'" The man eventually gave his name as Harvey, Michel said, and told Michel he was just "sitting here in the Lindenwood houses." The man assured him he wasn't going to steal anything. Michel called three of his wrestling teammates who lived nearby. They held the man until police arrived.

## A call for four-legged donors

MILWAUKEE - The nation's in desperate need of blood donors - even the furry, four-legged kind. Demand for blood has skyrocketed in the last year as animal clinics perform more and more procedures on pets. The country's four national animal blood banks all have back orders, with a two-month waiting list for hard-to-come-by cat plasma and up to a six-

week wait for dog plasma. The Animal Blood Bank in Dixon, Calif., the country's largest animal blood supplier, ships between 1,600 and 2,000 units a month to 3,000 clinics throughout the United States and Canada. But standards are stiff - only about five percent of dogs meet donor criteria.

## The study of penguins

LONDON - Royal Air Force pilots have long been ridiculed, but remain adamant: fly above a penguin colony, they say, and the curious birds topple over like dominoes as they stare up at the aircraft. Now, British scientists are traveling to the Falkland Islands to settle the debate once and for all. British Antarctic Survey researchers plan to spend one month aboard the HMS Endurance studying the phenomenon, which Royal Air Force pilots first recorded during the 1982 Falklands War with Argentina. At least one scientist, however, isn't convinced. "I'm afraid it's an urban

myth," said Dr. Richard Stone of the British Antarctic Survey. "Aircraft do have an effect on penguins, but not to the extent of birds falling over."

## No more hogging the aisle in flight

When pigs fly, they travel first class but aren't well-behaved passengers. On a US Airways flight from Philadelphia to Seattle earlier this month, two passengers used a doctor's note to persuade airline officials to allow them to bring a 250-pound pig aboard, claiming it was a "service animal," akin to a seeing-eye dog. According to passenger accounts, the pig went wild upon landing, trying to enter the cockpit and defecating in the cabin. Now, the Federal Aviation Administration and the airline are investigating the matter, trying to determine whether safety and sanitation rules were violated.

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recount process later today. In all, four counties had petitioned for permission to update their vote totals. The other two are Miami-Dade and Collier.

- Gore said Thursday on an ABC radio interview he is waging a legal fight to make sure the election is not "short-circuited without all the votes being examined."

- The prospect of continued legal battles was underscored Thursday by Sen. Joseph Lieberman, Gore's running mate. Democrats, he told CNN, are doing "what Americans have always done when they feel they are being treated unjustly by government, which is to go to court."

- Sen. Fred Thompson, R-Tennessee, said Thursday of the Democrats: "It doesn't take much for them to feel they need to go to court." Thompson told NBC's "Today" show that

expanded recounts by hand are unnecessary because Florida has done a statewide machine recount confirming Bush's edge over Gore.

- Before the announcement by Harris, the Florida Supreme Court unanimously rejected her bid to stop the recount, but the Wednesday decision did not address the merits of the case - which meant the matter could be pursued further.

- Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, who is George W.

Bush's younger brother, defended Harris, saying Thursday that she was just fulfilling her duties.

"She has a responsibility to carry out the law," Jeb Bush said in his first public comments since he recused himself from the state panel overseeing the Florida vote count.

- President Clinton, in Brunei for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit, said Thursday that the Florida controversy will likely spur election reforms. "I think there will be a lot of pressure to improve the form of ballots and the methods of voting and have more clear standards around the country," Clinton said.

- Gore, appearing on television from the vice presidential residence in Washington, said Wednesday that if Bush agreed to extend the hand recount to include all Florida counties, he would abide by the result and forgo any legal challenges.

- Bush swiftly rejected Gore's proposal. The Texas governor, speaking from his official residence in Austin, said a hand recount would be neither fair nor accurate, but chaotic and arbitrary. Bush rebuffed Gore's invitation that the two men meet soon, saying he would meet with the vice president after the race is settled.

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## INTERNATIONAL

## Campaigner for peace Rabin buried in Jerusalem

JERUSALEM (AP) - In a solemn, simple ceremony, Leah Rabin was buried Wednesday next to her slain husband - the Israeli prime minister assassinated for his peace policies - after tributes from world leaders and a memorial attended by hundreds of mourners.

Mrs. Rabin's daughter, Dalia Rabin-Pelossof, pressed a white handkerchief to her face to hold back tears as the simple wooden coffin was lowered into the ground in a plot adjacent to the curved black headstone marking Yitzhak Rabin's grave. Mrs. Rabin's grave will have a matching stone in white, with the two marble pieces forming a half circle.

U.S. first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton - one of several world figures in attendance - eulogized Mrs. Rabin as a close friend and fearless campaigner for peace. Mrs. Rabin died Sunday of cancer at age 72.

Born in Koenigsberg, Germany, Leah Rabin immigrated to pre-state Palestine with her family at age five. She met her husband when she was still in high school, and the two married during the 1948 Mideast war.

In 1977, Rabin was forced to resign as prime minister when it was revealed that his wife had maintained a bank account in the United States, in violation of Israeli law at the time. Rabin stood by her and was elected for

another term in 1992.

After Rabin's assassination in 1995 by an ultranationalist Jew, Mrs. Rabin launched a tireless campaign to keep her husband's legacy alive. The assassin was trying to stop Rabin's land-for-peace agreements with the Palestinians.

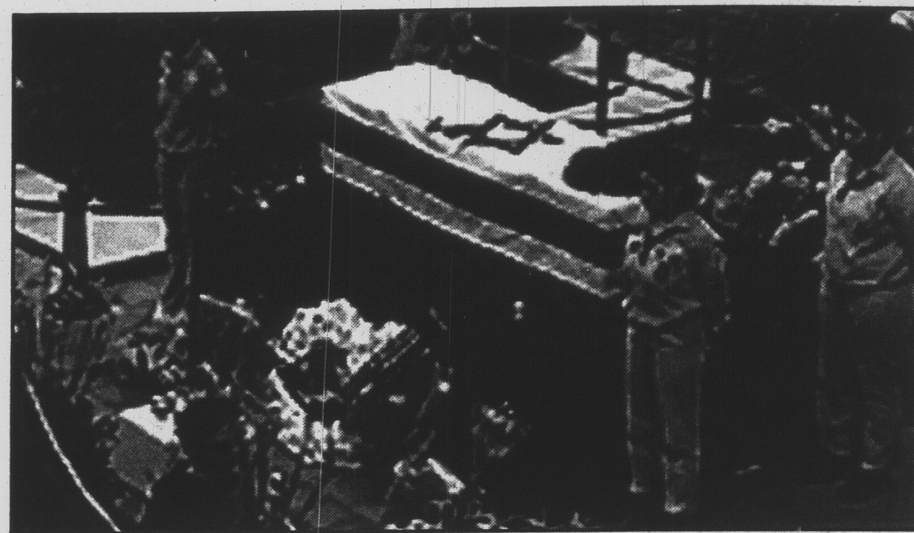
"No assassin's bullet could take away her uncommon courage," Mrs. Clinton said. "We pray today that you rest in peace...and may all of us, in your name, go toward peace."

The ceremony in a pine grove at Jerusalem's Mt. Herzl Cemetery was attended by 1,500 mourners, including German President Johannes Rau, Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov and U.S. Mideast envoy Dennis Ross.

Earlier Wednesday, hundreds of mourners attended a memorial service for Mrs. Rabin at the Tel Aviv square where her husband was assassinated. Mrs. Rabin's coffin was flanked by bird of paradise flowers and draped with an Israeli flag. A single red rose lay on the banner, just below the Star of David emblem.

Dozens of police were deployed around the square in a sign of the tense security situation after seven weeks of Israeli-Palestinian fighting that has killed more than 200 people, most of them Palestinians.

"I had to come here to support all the peo-



AP File Photo

The memorial for Leah Rabin was attended by world leaders and hundreds of mourners.

ple who still believe in the peace process," said a Etai Oren, a teen-ager, one of hundreds who passed by the coffin.

Dudu Dotan, an Israeli actor, broke down in tears. "We are bidding farewell not only to her," Dotan said. "After he was murdered...she stood at the head of the

(peace) camp. She was a soldier for peace."

After the assassination, the site was renamed Rabin Square and became a point of pilgrimage for many Israelis, especially supporters of Rabin's peace policies. Mrs. Rabin would visit the square every Friday to talk with the visitors.

## INTERNATIONAL BRIEFS

## Seven dead as anniversary is marked

JERUSALEM - Palestinians marked their symbolic independence day Wednesday with angry funeral processions and rock-throwing clashes, and said they would fight Israel until they have a state of their own. Seven Palestinians were killed by Israeli fire in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. There had been some expectations that Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat would proclaim a state Wednesday, the anniversary of a symbolic statehood declaration he made in exile in Algeria on Nov. 15, 1988. However,

Palestinian officials have said a unilateral declared state was not viable because Arafat rules disjointed areas of land.

## Philippine Senate plans Estrada trial

MANILA, Philippines - Philippine senators began debating rules Wednesday for the impeachment trial of President Joseph Estrada, who faces allegations that he accepted millions of dollars in payoffs from illegal gambling operators. The Senate has no impeachment procedure because it's never had such a trial before. Senate staffers have quickly prepared draft rules. Their chosen model: the U.S. Senate during President Clinton's impeachment trial.

## Census-takers in China miss millions

BEIJING - Census-takers missed more than 12 million people on the first round of China's census, a state-run newspaper reported Wednesday. Census-takers going door-to-door didn't count 10 million people in southern Hunan province and 2 million in central Shaanxi province. The miscount was the latest glitch in China's effort to count the world's largest population, last estimated at 1.26 bil-

lion people.

## Kidnapped Indian actor freed, fans rejoice

MADRAS, India - A popular Indian film star kidnapped in July by a notorious bandit accused of 300 murders was released Wednesday, prompting joyous fans to set off fireworks in celebration. Rajkumar's release came after months of tortuous negotiations between Veerappan, the outlawed bandit, and the state governments of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka, the areas where most of his crimes were committed. The actor's condition is described as "hale and hearty."

## 'Beagle' attacker deemed insane

OXFORD, England - The man accused of trying to kill George Harrison was found innocent by reason of insanity Wednesday after psychiatrists testified he believed he was possessed by the former Beatle. Three psychiatrists had testified that Michael Abram, 34, has suffered from severe paranoid schizophrenia since 1990. He was accused of breaking into Harrison's home on Dec. 30, 1999, and stabbing him repeatedly, puncturing a lung. He also was accused of attacking Harrison's wife, Olivia, when she came to her husband's defense.

## Report: 30 killed in Angola plane crash

LISBON, Portugal - An Antonov airplane crashed Wednesday near the capital of the southern African country of Angola, killing all 30 people on board, a news report said. The plane crashed in a field outside the coastal city shortly after takeoff, the Portuguese news agency Lusa reported. The plane was heading to Namibe, about 420 miles south of the

Angolan capital, Luanda. No further information was provided. The crash came two weeks after another Soviet-built aircraft crashed in Angola, killing all 48 people on board.

## Rebels freeze Colombia talks

BOGOTA, Colombia - Leftist guerrillas on Tuesday declared a freeze on negotiations to end the country's 36-year conflict, accusing the government of tolerating right-wing paramilitary groups and of favoring a U.S.-backed military offensive over peace talks. The announcement by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia cast into further disarray efforts by President Andres Pastrana to reach a negotiated peace agreement with the country's largest leftist insurgency.



AP File Photo

Putin and Bagabandi

## Russia, Mongolia try to reform ties

ULAN BATOR, Mongolia - Russian President Vladimir Putin appealed to Mongolia on Tuesday to revitalize relations that languished after the former allies embraced democracy. On Moscow's highest-level mission to Mongolia in 26 years, Putin and Mongolian President Natsagiin Bagabandi signed a declaration that called for Mongolia's participation in the forum of Asia-

Pacific nations.

## Egyptian police fire on election protesters

CAIRO, Egypt - Four people were killed Tuesday when police fired live ammunition and tear gas in clashes with opposition supporters during Tuesday's runoff elections in Egypt. Another four were wounded. The deaths happened in Tukh, north of Cairo, when supporters of independent candidate Omar Amer were forcibly prevented by police from entering polling stations, according to police officials speaking on condition of anonymity.

## Austrian officials put death toll at 155

KAPRUN, Austria - Austrian authorities on Wednesday put the final death toll from last weekend's fire in an Alpine mountain tunnel at 155, by far the worst disaster ever suffered by the country's multimillion dollar skiing industry. Investigators said 152 of the victims were discovered in the tunnel, where the cable car carrying skiers and snowboarders was traveling when it caught fire. The other three were found at a station stop at the very top of the tunnel.

## Turkish police recover fifth stolen Picasso

ISTANBUL, Turkey - Police have recovered a painting believed to be a stolen Picasso, authorities said Tuesday. The "Naked Woman" painting was recovered in an operation near the Turkish-Iraqi border. Four suspects were arrested. Turkish police have recovered four other Picassos since June, including "Ugly Woman," the portrait of the painter's mistress, Dora Maar.



## SPORTS

# Men and women's swim teams easily defeat Gannon

By Desiree Henry  
STAFF WRITER

The men's and women's swim teams opened their dual meet season on Nov. 10 at the natatorium as both teams swept non-conference Gannon University.

The Titan men posted a 108-79 victory over Gannon while the Lady Titans beat Gannon 110-87.

Sophomores Jim Mann and Seth Bontrager led the team as they each won all three of their races.

Mann won the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 22.11 seconds and the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 2:02.25. He also swam a leg on the winning 400-yard medley relay.

"The team has worked hard and is ready for a challenging season," Mann said.

Bontrager won the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 2:01.74. He also swam a leg on the 400-yard medley and freestyle relays.

Coach Rob Klamut said that he was pleased with everyone's performance.

"I was surprised with some of the times," Klamut said. "I wasn't disappointed with anyone's effort."

Other top finishers were juniors Brian Lytle, Kurt Rotthoff and Lucas Shipe. Sophomore Richard King and freshman Matt Buzard also posted victories.

Rotthoff said that the team did a great job overall.

"Being the first dual meet of the season, I think it is a good starting point for a successful year," Rotthoff said.

On the women's side, freshman Brittany Jardine led the Titans by gaining three victories.

Jardine won the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 25.18 seconds and the 200-yard butterfly with a time of 2:15. She was also a part of the 400-yard medley relay squad.

Jardine said that the team went into the season with a lot of challenging goals.

"We've had a difficult few weeks of training and each day brings us one step closer to achieving success," Jardine said.

Klamut said that Gannon was not as strong as he expected.

"Gannon was not a struggle for us," Klamut said. "Our swimmers had to compete with each other."

Other top performances came from senior Tara Crawford, junior Jaime Sell, sophomore

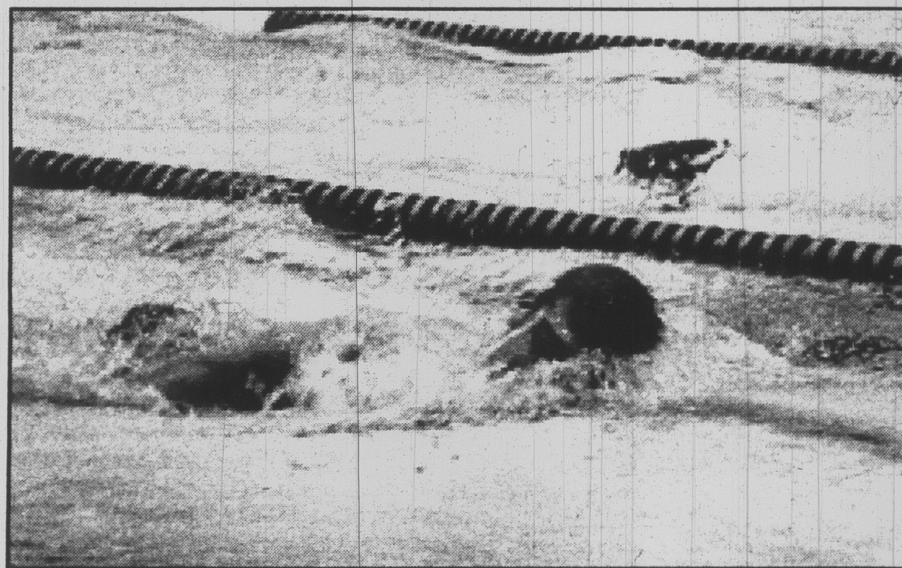


Photo by Aly Karg

The Titans defeated Gannon to tally another non-conference win.

Stefanie King and freshmen Katie Alukonis and Megan Lytle.

"The strength that we showed against Gannon proves that we are a team with depth

and have a lot more to offer," Crawford said. "Hopefully, we can build even further from this to overcome some of the more challenging teams in the future."

## Bob Knight discusses commentating position with CBS

By Meredith Etcher  
SPORTS EDITOR

Bob Knight, fired last September after nearly 30 years as Indiana's coach, had a discussion with CBS Sports about a job as a college basketball commentator, but the two sides did not come to an agreement. CBS did not make a contract offer.

There has been contact between Knight and other networks, but his agent said Knight is focusing on writing a book and speaking engagements. Knight, who coached Indiana to three national titles, certainly would attract both viewers and scrutiny if he were to go into broadcasting.

Indiana president Myles Brand fired Knight on Sept. 10 for repeated misconduct. The coach was placed under a "zero-tolerance" behavior policy in May after an investigation into whether he choked a player during practice.

Last week, Knight attended the Indiana

Pacers' practice for the second time in three days. An Indianapolis television station WRTV said Knight worked extensively with forward Austin Croshere. Pacers' coach Isiah Thomas played for Knight at Indiana.

### Globetrotters end streak

Michigan State coach Tom Izzo was not happy after his team snapped its opponent's 1,270-game winning streak.

"I was totally, and I mean totally, disappointed in the lack of effort we showed tonight," Izzo said Monday to a Sports Illustrated reporter after the third-ranked Spartans held on for a 72-68 exhibition victory over the Harlem Globetrotters.

Izzo did give credit to the Globetrotters, who have three touring teams. When they play a competitive game, rather than one for entertainment, they take the best players from the three teams. The defeat was the first for the famed traveling team since it lost to the

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar All-Star team in Vienna, Austria, on Sept. 12, 1995.

### Bye, bye Manny

The Cleveland Indians pulled their seven-year, \$119 million offer to Manny Ramirez and said yesterday they would aggressively pursue other free agents. General manager John Hart said that Ramirez eventually decided he wants to stay in Cleveland, the Indians won't pay him a penny over the \$17 million-per-season offer the free agent outfielder already has rejected. The Indians' package was turned down during the weekend by Ramirez's agent, Jeff Moorad. Ramirez has said he wants a 10-year, \$200 million package.

The Indians also exercised club options on three players: center fielder Kenny Lofton and relievers Paul Shuey and Ricardo Rincon. Lofton, who hit .278 last season after making a remarkable return from shoulder surgery,

will make \$8 million next year.

Meanwhile, Moorad was reportedly visiting with two teams interested in Ramirez, the AL's top RBI producer the past three years, at his Newport Beach, Calif. offices. Hart said he is not ruling out the possibility that, once Moorad tests the free-agent market, he may not find a deal better than the one the Indians offered and could want to reopen negotiations. Hart would be willing to talk, but he reiterated the Indians can't wait too long during the free-agency season for Ramirez to make up his mind.

The Indians extended themselves beyond their means, Hart said, because the club thought it was important to retain a home-grown player who is also one of the most popular on the roster. The three-time defending World Series champion New York Yankees are thought to be targeting Ramirez, who batted .351 and drove in 122 runs in just 118 games last season.

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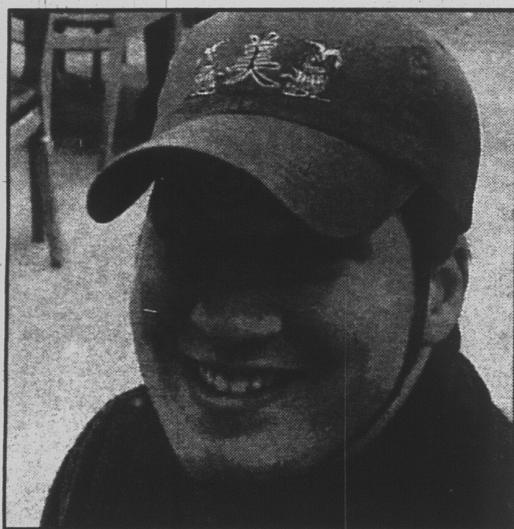


# FEATURE

## We are the people in your neighborhood

This week featuring Adam Robert Corbett and ("this close to Dr.") Michael Muth

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR



**Name:** Adam Robert Corbett  
**Hometown:** Canonsburg, PA  
**Nickname:** "Corbett"  
**Year at WC:** Junior  
**Major:** Speech Communications w/PR minor  
**Pet Peeve:** "Fickle girls and people that don't smile."

**SB: Did you give blood last week?**

Corbett: No. The first time I did I passed out. And they had to give me cookies and juice.

**SB: Is there a television show that you're secretly addicted to?**

Corbett: *Streetsmarts*-it's this new show where this guy goes out and asks people on the street questions like, "Name the 3 time zones." Some idiot answered, "the morning time, the afternoon time and the evening time."

**SB: What is/was your most interesting job?**

Corbett: I've worked at the same place since I was 16-a sports store. The owner of it used to be the equipment manager for the Pittsburgh Steelers. We do their laundry. And he let me wear the Super Bowl rings all through the store.

**SB: What is your favorite junk food?**

Corbett: Eat'n Park's grilled stickies a la mode-they are the BOMB!

**SB: If you could go back in time to any decade, which would you choose and why?**

Corbett: I would go back to before electricity was invented so I could see what it's like to live as an Amish person.

**Name:** Michael Muth  
**Hometown:** New Orleans, LA  
**Nickname:** "Michael"  
**Year at WC:** 4th  
**Department:** Philosophy

**Pet Peeve:** "There's one I picked up on in college because my professors really picked on me about it-*quote* is a verb, *quotation* is a noun."

**SB: Did you give blood last week?**

Muth: No. I've just been so busy with other things. I used to give blood a lot in the past.

**SB: Is there a television show that you're secretly addicted to?**

Muth: I love dopey shows about paranormal stuff. Ghosts, UFOs, crop circles. I love crop circles. I don't believe any of it though. The idea that people believe almost anything-that aliens would travel all this way, and communicate through crop circles!

**SB: What is/was your most interesting job?**

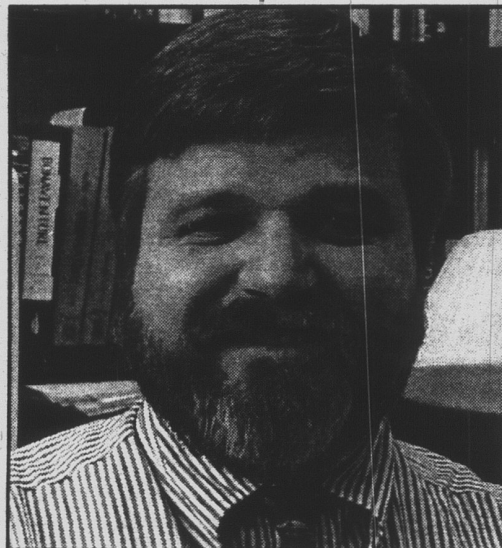
Muth: I don't know...I love teaching...I worked as a janitor for a while to pay for college. It inspired me to go to the college I graduated from.

**SB: What is your favorite junk food?**

Muth: There's so many of them. I love goo-goo clusters. [I give him strange look.] They're Tennessee things, I guess. [I nod.]

**SB: If you could go back in time to any decade, which would you choose and why?**

Muth: [note: this explains why Mr. Muth is a philosophy professor and not a follower of paranormal activity.] I guess I thought that 20-year period when Aristotle was a student of Plato. The 350s B.C. These two incredible minds bickering with each other-I think that would be really interesting.



## No one died; just let it ride

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR

I did not pay a lot of attention to the presidential race, thus my ridiculously irrelevant article last week. However, I, along with the rest of the country, have become enthralled with this odd outcome, or rather, lack thereof.

I did not vote this year. My excuse is weak; I am registered; I just didn't send away for my absentee ballot. I am a registered Independent, probably because that word is something I have always used to identify myself. I have never felt strongly enough toward one party to consider myself a member of either, though I assumed that I was closer to being a democrat than a republican.

I don't follow politics overall, though I try to know a few facts so that I can have some sort of opinion. Now, I apologize to those of you who have actual knowledge about politics, because I do not and I'm going to talk about it anyway. I tend to do that, regardless, but right now, the whole country is discussing it-even the dopes like me who really don't have a clue.

My biggest shock during this whole shenanigan is that I found out I'm not the young liberal I thought I was. I took the quiz we offered in the Nov. 3 issue that let us discover which candidate we support by questioning issues and the candidates' stances on those issues-not who kissed their wife in public and who got a DUI. The questionnaire suggested that we receive one point for each answer that represented Bush and one point for each that represented Gore. Then at the end, we add three points to the issue we feel most strongly about. Because I don't have extensive knowledge of all things political, I was unable to answer three of the questions. I needed to have someone explain what the outcome of each side would be so I could generate a more educated opinion on the matter. Also, I didn't have one issue I felt strongly about, again, due to the lack of me paying attention to anything outside the bubble of New Wilmington for the last 3 1/2 years.

This said, I tallied up my score and was shocked with what I found: Gore-8, Bush-9. I found it hard to believe I have any republican in me-to be honest I had always said that only rich people and farmers were republicans (where was I raised?!)-But I was truly surprised that I am as in-between philosophies as I am.

As for the matter at hand, I think it is interesting that this counting/oversea votes debacle has happened. It brings the country together in suspense and aggravation, but also proves that someone does acknowledge our votes. I learned in history class that the popular vote doesn't mean a thing, because in all reality the Electoral College doesn't have to listen to it. This fiasco proves that belief grossly incorrect-the popular vote does count for something.

My friend, Aimee said that she felt this prolongation of a final decision (Regis, where are you?) seems like some sort of scheme on behalf of hopeful candidates and that it should have been over by now. To which I responded, "I think it's cool it's taking so long. I don't really know what the rush is. No one died and the new Prez doesn't get office until January anyway. Let it ride."

## Volunteer group Circle K gains charter

By Jodi Russo  
STAFF WRITER

Need a little community service to fulfill your requirement? Do you enjoy doing things for other people's benefit? Maybe you need to join Circle K. Affiliated with New Wilmington's Kiwanis Club, Circle K exists to perform volunteer work. Circle K is the student organization while Kiwanis is the volunteer organization for the rest of the community.

Circle K is fairly new to the college, having just received its charter this year.

"The charter means that we are recognized nationally and internationally. We also are required to have 20 members involved who pay dues," Circle K President Christine Zarack said.

"Many people are not aware of Circle K, because we just got chartered in 2000," Gwen Kennedy said. "If people do not come from a

high school that had the Key Club, then they might not be aware of what Circle K is."

The Key Club is the high school equivalent to Circle K and Kiwanis. The club is known by different names according to grade level. In elementary school, the club is known as the K Club; at the junior high level it is known as the Builders Club.

The members of Circle K believe there are many benefits to being in this club.

"You get to interact with other people who care about helping others, and we have fun helping them," Vice President Amanda Koop said.

"You get to meet people from all over at different conventions and gatherings," Kennedy said. "You can help make the world a better place, by helping others."

And you can help yourself. By being a member and paying your dues, the hours you spend volunteering can be counted towards the community service requirement.

One activity the members were involved in was the Halloween costume contest in New Wilmington. Members helped judge the contest and awarded prizes to the different age groups.

Members are planning to volunteer at the Shenango Home to spend time with the elderly. They also plan to go to the New Wilmington Presbyterian Church to help prepare after-school dinners.

Faculty advisor Ann Murphy said, "Circle K offers a great opportunity for Westminster students to participate in service for others and to enjoy each others' company and to further their understanding of their community."

Circle K currently has about 30 members. Those who are interested in joining can go to the meetings on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. in 231 Patterson.

Those who cannot attend the meetings are encouraged to call Zarack or Koop with questions.



# Thanksgiving rituals differ from original feast in 1621

## Students share their family traditions

By B.J. Mathieu  
STAFF WRITER

Thanksgiving is the one day every year when people can eat whatever they want. Thanksgiving means more love, thanks, friends and for some, more weight. Thanksgiving has been an American tradition for centuries, dating back to 1621, the year the first Thanksgiving celebration was held. The hosts for the first Thanksgiving were the Plymouth colonists, and the guests were the Wampanoag Indians.

Thanksgiving in the 1600s was much different than it is today. First of all, neither the colonists nor the Indians had a stove, microwave or oven; everything was cooked over an open flame. They also did not have forks, so spoons, knives and fingers were used. They used large cloth napkins to wipe their hands and to pick up hot pieces of food.

Another difference between Thanksgiving then and now is the amount of food consumed. Today it seems people eat more food more often. The Pilgrims and Indians ate only once daily, as compared to our usual three meals a day. We also tend to separate our meals into parts such as appetizer, entrée and dessert. Thanksgiving today usually includes the appetizer portion which features vegetable trays, wings or chips and dip. The entrée includes the turkey and its fixings and the dessert can range from pies to Jello.

Certain foods today are regarded as traditional and eaten all around the country.

Sophomore business administration major Anthony Arrigo said, "On Thanksgiving, my family eats a variety of different foods, including turkey, corn, mashed potatoes, stuffing, biscuits and cranberry sauce."

Freshman international business major Matthew Roser said, "In Texas we eat turkey, corn, mashed potatoes with gravy and green beans with bacon wrapped around them. I also like to drink egg nog."

While we tend to think of such foods as traditional, the Pilgrims and Indians did not eat the same things. Their menu for the Thanksgiving feast probably included goose, duck, partridge, venison, wheat flour, Indian corn, beans, onions, peas, lobster, clams, plums, grapes, carrots, walnuts and acorns.

Also changed are the Thanksgiving day activities of then and now.

Junior elementary education major Stephanie Dawson loves to "overeate, watch football, and then fall asleep."

Even though football is a big deal, it is not the only thing to do before and after dinner. Some people play cards or board games to pass the time.

Thanksgiving is a big holiday for many people. It is the one time of year that friends and family can get together for a well-cooked meal and good fun. Enjoy the holiday and eat well.

# Tradition continues with the Midnight Sled Riders

By John Hanlon  
STAFF WRITER

Living in Western Pennsylvania, people have grown accustomed to heavy snowfall. In fact, most have developed a love for it. College students are the same way. We love skiing, snowboarding and snowball fights, but there is a different breed of cold companions that live in Hillside.

They are the Hillside Midnight Sled Riders. This year the Sled Riders would like to invite newcomers to the activities.

Although the origin of midnight sled riding is unclear, these fun-loving Hillside girls were out shortly after the first snowfall last year.

Assembling around midnight in the lobby of Hillside, then-freshman Juli Conoran and her friends made the trek to the hill in front of Russell Hall where they experimented with several "sleds."

"We started off using trays from the cafeteria and they didn't work," Conoran said. "Plus they weren't much fun. We moved on to inner tubes and they were a blast."

Sophomore sled rider Vicki Vroble feels the same way about the sleds.

"Cafeteria trays do not work as well as I expected - they are okay on firm snow, but I don't recommend using them," she said. "Anything inflatable is the way to go. Inner tubes, inflatable furniture. (Chairs etc.) Plastic roll-up sleds also work surprisingly well." The midnight sled riders occasionally met Thursday evenings, and they plan to do the same this year.

"I'm an RA in Hillside this year and I intended to carry on the tradition by rounding up as many midnight sledders as possible," Vroble said.

Jennifer Lewis believes that it actually aided her education.

"It was fun because it was a way to relax and get away from the every-day stressful schedule of classes and homework...this helps," Lewis said. "It is just so much fun. You get to meet new people and relieve stress."

So if you are a night owl and you love the snow, catch up with the midnight sled riders.

# Ideal qualities surround the search for the perfect mate

By Alyssa Detore  
STAFF WRITER

From the time I was a little girl (well, young because I'm still little), I've dreamed about finding my "perfect" guy. In my imagination, he was tall, dark and handsome, with blue eyes and a great smile. Recently, someone sent me an email survey including the question, "What are the qualities you look for in a partner?" Without hesitating, I typed the first description that came to my mind. My dream guy would be completely honest, considerate, romantic, fun and willing to try anything. I read over my qualities and added one more -- nice eyes. At least one thing remained the same from my childhood fantasy. As I studied my answer, I realized how insignificant a person's looks are to me, and that all I really want is "nice" guys. Many of my friends had similar responses to this survey question. Despite these answers, all the "nice" people seem to be alone. I've spent countless nights listening to my friends complain about how their boyfriends/girlfriends treat them, but when it comes down to it, if a "nice" person came along, he/she would probably get shut down.

**Questions: What do you look for in a partner? Do you ever settle for something different? Why or Why not?**

## Boys

Niels Jorgensen, freshman: "I have to be attracted to them at first so I want to approach them, and after that they need a good personality. I usually like a nice person, but some-

times I like them on the bad side, so I guess I do settle for something different every once in awhile. At present, I'm a 'nice' guy up for grabs."

John Ciavarra, senior: "I look for someone who is considerate, polite, caring, pretty and someone that has the same qualities as my sister. No, I don't settle for anything less than what I want because I know that girl is out there, and I found her."

Andy Wormsley, senior: "I think a sense of humor is key, good personality, easy to talk to and kind-hearted. I have settled before in the past. I think a lot of that had to do with physical attraction rather than the qualities I look for. I think that's where people get so messed up."

## Girls

Marianne Davis, senior: "I look for someone who is funny, nice, talkative, can handle sarcasm and dimples are a bonus. Yes, I usually do settle for something else because they seem really nice at first, then I fall for them, and then I realize they aren't as nice as they portray themselves to be. For some reason, I keep working on it, hoping they will change."

Vicki Caugherty, junior: "Someone who is nice, funny, has a good personality and doesn't hook up a lot. Generally, I've found nice guys, so I haven't had to settle."

Jen Petures, sophomore: "Here's the list: good cook, nice car, smells like a boy, neat handwriting, nice smile, cool friends, athletic (but not better than me) and very fashionable. I never settle for anything less, never."

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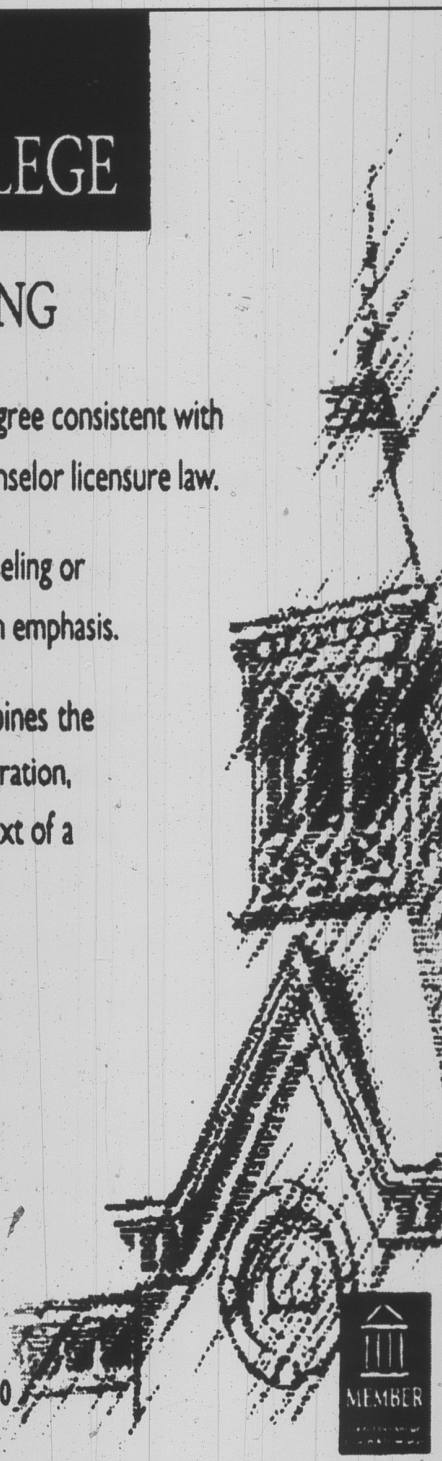
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# OPINION

## Rant and Rave

*"Our computer network is improving ... it only took me three days to get into the online public catalog."*

*"I don't like bigotry. I can accept people as they are, but it doesn't mean I like them. I think the inability of people (or individuals) to accept others as they are is a sad statement of our society, and not what the freedom of our country is about. Live and let live."*

*"I hate that my senior project is due the day after Thanksgiving break and I don't have time to work on it because I have so many other tests to study for."*

*"It is total crap that the school puts tons of money into 'decorating' the Field House, when the art department suffers because of a lack of equipment."*

*"How did the new student center become the faculty-sometimes-student-use center?"*

*"If it's going to be this dang cold, there'd better be some snow so I can ski."*

*"I think LLP students should have mailboxes and receive student directories."*

*"They don't need to have election reform. They need to have news coverage reform. They shouldn't have any coverage until the polls close in California."*

## Our View: Only in America

Lawyers, spending money we don't have, arguing over pointless issues... it seems Election 2000 has been the epitome of everything American. In what other country would a candidate look to the courts for a declaration of the Presidency?

The United States of America has been looked upon as a near perfect democracy for hundreds of years. But the occurrences this past week may have proved otherwise.

It is understandable that litigation against voter fraud, people not being able to vote, and ballot tampering should be dealt with in the appropriate manner. However, tinkering with the current legislation dealing with election procedures in the middle of the current election should not even be considered.

The process that should be followed should not be one of expedience but it also should be one of careful consideration. It's not a matter of time that the American public should be arguing but rather what actions are being taken. If it takes until January to go through the processes standardized by the law, then so be it. It needs to be done. Each measure laid out by the law needs to be reviewed and the actions that follow these laws should be implemented to the fullest measures...but not beyond.

In reality, there is no way this election should be overturned. The Presidency should go to the man with the most electoral votes because that is what the law dictates. Is this the most effective means of electing a

President? No. The country knows that for the most part, but the issue is that the constitution, state legislation and other laws govern the electoral process. They (the laws) were made and agreed upon before the election process began and therefore are unbiased and not reflective of the current state of the country. Though it might not be the best way to elect a president, with such a close margin, it is the law. We can't start an election with one set of rules, decide that the rules aren't working mid-

**How do we solve the problem of a divided nation? Do like Americans do. Call in the lawyers, take it to the courts and elect the one who will scream the loudest.**

way through the process and amend them because that would be unfair to both candidates. Then the argument will become, "That ruling was in favor of Bush...that ruling was in favor of Gore." Instead, we should stick with the current measures and after the President is elected, then review, reestablish and revamp the procedures and policies.

No matter which candidate wins Florida, he is not guaranteed the presidency. It will be left up to the Electoral College when they vote

in December. While most will vote with their state, some may choose otherwise. [For a deeper understanding of the Electoral College look at [http://ftp.state.mt.us/sos/elections/2000\\_election/electoral\\_college/electoral\\_college.html](http://ftp.state.mt.us/sos/elections/2000_election/electoral_college/electoral_college.html).]

Step back and look at the United States from the outside. We are a country who for years has been pressing our "perfect democracy" upon all other countries in the world. We stick our noses into other country's issues while giving them protection, imposing capitalism and forcing them to Americanize in every way.

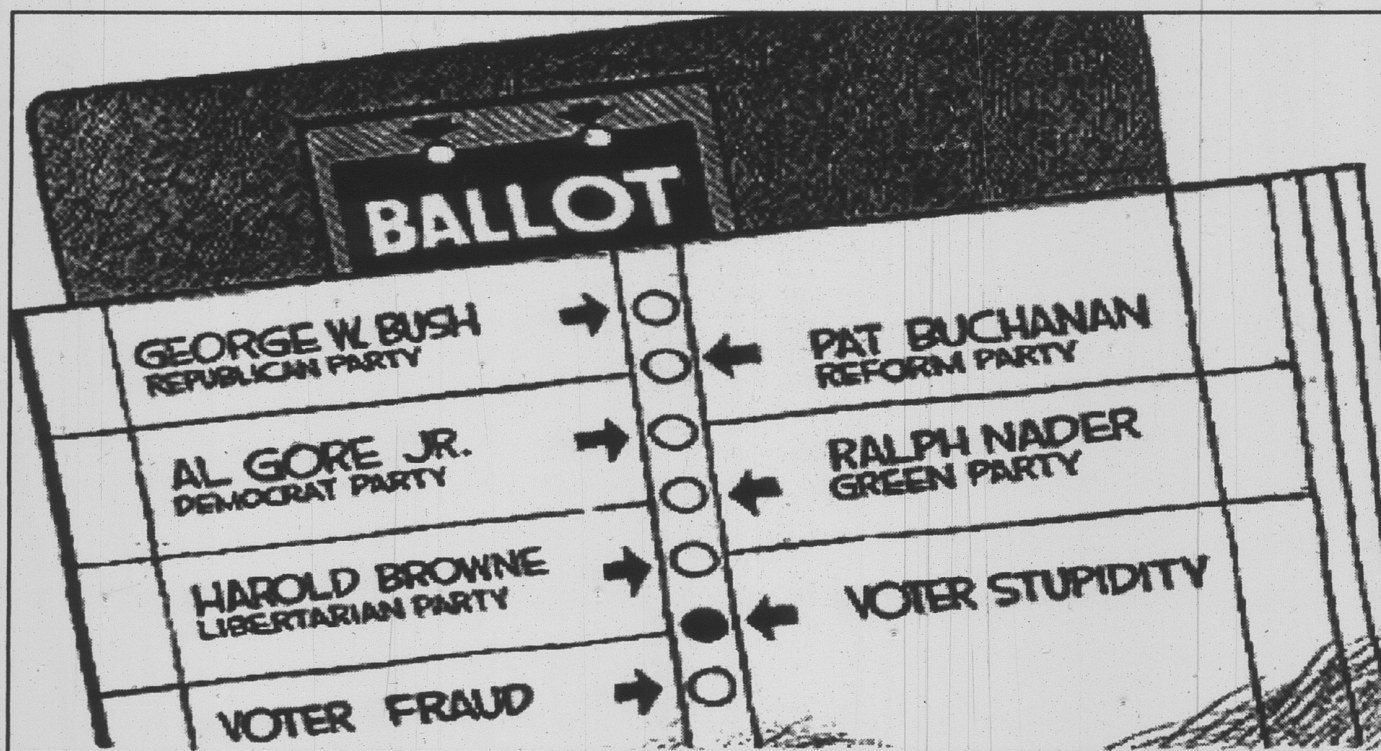
Yet those countries who have not been established democracies as long as we have are laughing at the mess our "perfect democracy" has left us in.

In recent C-SPAN coverage of the British Parliament, puns and jokes about the Florida recount were being used. Not only that, but BBC coverage of our election can be seen almost daily on CNN.

Soon the leader of the free world will be known as the laughingstock of mother earth.

How do we solve the problem of a divided nation? Do like Americans do. Call in the lawyers, take it to the courts and elect the one who will scream the loudest.

Democracy does not mean that the person you want to win will. It means that a leader will be elected by the people and Electoral College as stated in the Constitution be it by ten million votes or three hundred.



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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am writing to express my dissatisfaction with the direction of the musical *Anything Goes*. Don't get me wrong - the acting, singing, and dancing were fabulous. I am more concerned with the way the orchestra was treated throughout the production.

As a member of the orchestra, I experienced first-hand the effects of the direction team's neglect. One of the incidents included an indirect last minute invitation to the cast party. We were told by one of our pianists that we were invited 10 minutes before the curtain rose on Saturday night. Not only did they not have the decency to personally invite all of us, they did it the night of the cast party, leaving few of us time to make plans to attend. The other incident that may have been noticed by the public, would be our picture in the lobby. Now, every other member of the cast and crew had their picture blown up, labeled, and placed inside the glass case. The orchestra's picture, however, was still the normal 4 x 5 size, taped to a piece of printer paper which in turn was taped to the outside of the glass case. Of course, that didn't last very long, because by Sunday it had been ripped down.

I enjoyed participating in the musical. I plan to participate again if another one is produced. All that I ask is that we be treated with the same respect and courtesy as every other member of the production. If however, that is too much to ask, I have another solution. A paycheck will do nicely to solve the problem. Professional musicians will not play unless paid. I'd rather have the respect.

Sincerely,

Theodore Merklin

Dear Editor:

This letter is to thank Dr. Hopkins for his letter appearing in the November 10th issue of the Holcad. As a Christian, I agree with his views on homosexuality and thoroughly enjoyed his letter. I too oppose this lifestyle but do not hate any group of people, and I believe he was able to eloquently express the opinions of many people on this subject.

Sincerely,

Brad Tokar

Dear Editor:

In response to Joseph M. Hopkins' letter to the editor in the November 10 issue of the Holcad regarding Leslea Newman's appearance on campus, allow me to offer a couple of comments.

I yearn for the day when we will no longer read articles, letters, editorials, or hear individuals speak of those whose sexual orientation is not heterosexual as if they were nameless, faceless, and emotionless automatons. Every time we intellectualize or moralize about one's sexual orientation - in any forum - we dehumanize. As Dean of Student Affairs I have no interest in exploiting or devaluing any of our beloved students or any other member of the campus community. To this end, I will not be inviting an "anti-homosexual" speaker to our campus.

Sincerely,

Neal Edman  
Dean of Student Affairs

Dear Editor,

Last week I volunteered to pick up Frank Meeink, a former skinhead, from the airport. I will be honest in saying that I was a little weary about how to interact with someone who spent most of his life promoting violence, hatred and racial prejudice. In the back of my head I did what I never thought I would do, judge someone before I even met them. I was completely wrong.

I sat at lunch with Frank and we talked about everything from my major, to his children and his interesting hobbies. I kept reminding myself that I was sitting with a man who had participated in murder and abuse. Slowly I forgot his past and began to realize that I sat across from a human being, a man who had come a long way from his skinhead days and the life he once lived.

Then I heard him speak. I listened to his detailed description of beatings and rituals that he had participated in. I found myself with tears in my eyes, not because I was frightened or disgusted by his actions but because I found faith in him. I found faith that any human being can overcome hatred by replacing it with love. Frank showed me that violence, hatred, and racial prejudice could be overcome. All we have to do is have faith in ourselves, love in our hearts and respect in our actions. Frank Meeink has come a long way and there is no doubt that he has a long way to go but he sets an example for us all. If he can overcome so much, can't we?

Sincerely,

Danielle Perfetti

Dear Editor,

I am not currently living the campus dorms, but over the past three weeks the resident life staff and Camille Hawthorne have made two rule changes in the middle of the semester that must be questioned.

One rule being that pets are no longer permitted to visit people in the dorms. Last year I was written up for having a dog in the dorm, but due to the fact that the dog was not living there and was just visiting for a few hours I was found not guilty. I was confronted by a Resident Life employee while bringing my dog into the dorm the other day and was told that they are no longer permitting pets in the dorm.

A NEW RULE that the Resident Life Staff is now enforcing, which was set by Dean Hawthorne, is that boys are no longer permitted on the Sorority Suites before mixers or date parties. This is quite disturbing due to the fact that many dates travel from hours away to go to these date parties and are forced to sit in the lobby until it is time for the date party.

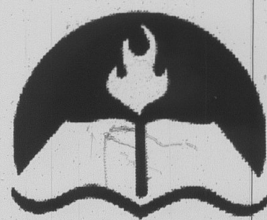
The question is, "What gives the resident life staff and/or Camille Hawthorne the right to change these rules in the middle of the semester?" I can understand the whole pet issue in the dorm (people have allergies, phobias of dogs and cats etc etc etc), but I cannot understand how Dean Hawthorne can change rules in the middle of a semester that are directly STATED, as seen here, in our student handbook.

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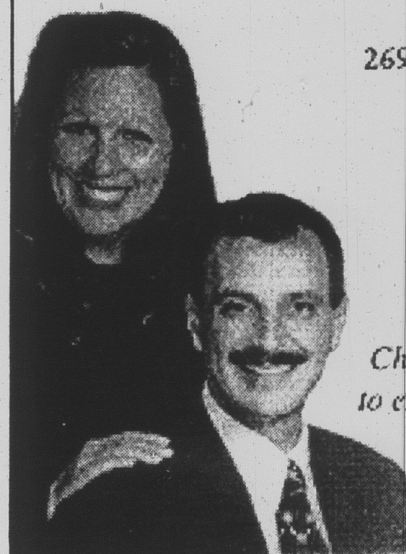
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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

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**CHARLIE'S  
ANGELS**

**REVIEWS**

## Beth Staley

Sure, many people have been grooving to the new *Charlie's Angels* soundtrack featuring Destiny's Child, nonetheless, the new *Charlie's Angels* movie doesn't have quite the same groove. If you're throwing "your hands up in the air" to the soundtrack, you may find yourself throwing "your hands up in the air" for the movie in frustration.

Expectations have been high for this 70's television-inspired movie and its cast featuring major stars. Drew Barrymore plays Dylan, an army-tough, wild angel. Contrasting Dylan is Natalie, a bookish, game show-winning, goofy angel played by Cameron Diaz. Complimenting these two charmers, Lucy Liu assumes the role of Alex, a classy, unyielding actress-type.

Providing the link between the angels and the all-mysterious Charlie is Bill Murray, playing the boss. He assigns them the mission of rescuing a kidnapped millionaire about to make billions with a new type of software. The kidnapping, however, unfolds into an expensive scheme aimed to kill Charlie.

Aiming for success, Director McG leaves out a few details. The plot fails to excite the audience. The scenes flow smoothly, but *Charlie's Angels* lacks the suspenseful twists and eventful shocks that could have kept the audience's interest fresh for 90 minutes. If only the plot had the pizzazz of the fashion, the angels seem to have a tempting new costume for every stunt. These stunts do offer viewers a healthy dose of girl power. Numerous fight scenes are enhanced with martial arts moves, interesting weapons, major explosions and clever maneuvers. However, some of the kicks, spirals and hits seem completely unreal. When Cameron Diaz jumps while kicking her legs around and lands ten feet later, it's kind of funny.

*Charlie's Angels* is supposed to be funny though, and the humor redeems the lack of plot and enhanced, unreal combat. Diaz offers the best performance with her goofy smile and ditzy confidence. Barrymore doesn't do much more with her character other than have fun; however, she really adds to Diaz's radiance. On the other hand, Liu's screen presence is not as warm and alluring as the other two angels.

There are a lot of *Charlie's Angels* fans out there, but there are also a lot of good movies in theatres right now. *Charlie's Angels* has a lot of competition. *Angels* fans won't miss much by waiting for the movie to be released for rental. Nonetheless, if finals, holiday shopping and the cold weather seem overwhelming and stressful, *Charlie's Angels* provides a perfectly mindless, humorous and entertaining diversion.

## Joseph Stamper

Yes ladies and gentlemen, another 70's television show has been made into a major motion picture. And despite all the hype and hoopla, it is a bad major motion picture. Don't hate me ladies, I love the whole "Girl Power" Movement, but this movie is phonier than the crab meet served in the cafeteria.

*Charlie's Angels* is a revamp of a popular 70's television series about three beautiful women who work undercover for an anonymous millionaire. In this flick, the Charlie asks his three angels to find a kidnapped billionaire and his stolen software, but locating the young handsome billionaire is only the beginning.

## Stamper's Four-Corner Breakdown Date Movie- 2

Lets call a spade a spade; *Charlie's Angels* is most appropriate for teenage females who want to see scantily-clothed women kick butt and teenage boys who want to see scantily-clothed women's butts. So if your significant other suggests this movie say "of course Dear."

Then whenever he or she suggests a movie in the future you can say, "remember when you picked *Charlie's Angels*." However, if your mate is 14 to 15 years of age, he or she may actually enjoy this movie. Players Tip: If you are in college and your mate is not old enough to drive, you have more serious problems than picking a movie.

## Special FX- 9

The action scenes in *Charlie's Angels* are so overplayed that one wonders what McG, yes McG is his name, was thinking. Heavily exaggerated martial arts moves, that the Matrix made so popular, accompany every fight scene. The Angels get shot, fall off buildings, get blown up and get their freak on in a 30-minute stretch of the movie. It's just too outrageous to absorb.

## Star Power-6

Cameron Diaz really shines in her role as a dimwitted combat/technology specialist, but the other two angels just weren't up to par. Lucy Liu is beautiful but you can only watch her toss her hair so many times before you notice her acting in this Action/Comedy is

lackluster. Drew Barrymore has even less going for her in this flick. She wasn't in shape for the film, and surprisingly she didn't show the necessary grit to pull off the role of a rebel orphan super heroine. Bill Murray simply was not funny in his role as the girls' boss. Luckily Tom Green makes an appearance as one of Barrymore's lovers and scores a few laughs for the flick.

## Plot-6

Writers Ed-Solomon and Ivan Goff took a basically good plot and watered it down to a mediocrity. The pair really stretched their imaginations to write in all the wardrobe changes and explosions. The movie may have worked better if it had simply been written as a comedy. The lack of realism and the attempt at drama this film exhibited does not mix.

## Overall- Not Worth My Money

*Charlie's Angels* has its moments, but they're not enough to make the movie work. The movie is more suited for video than the big screen. Sure, the girls are pretty and the explosions are loud, but these factors alone do not make a good movie. In short, *Charlie's Angels* is like a more intelligent "Bay Watch" pumped up on steroids.



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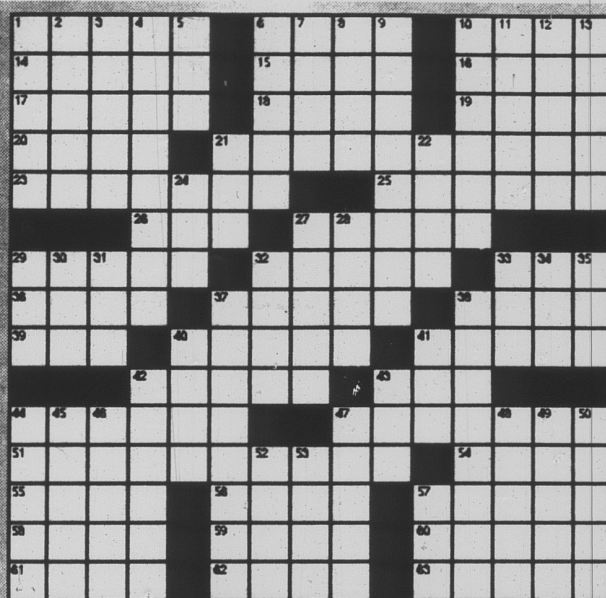


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38- Rip  
39- Female sheep  
40- Seductively beautiful woman  
41- Lachrymose  
42- Person that loses  
43- Fem. pronoun  
44- Renowned  
47- Eternal  
51- Specialist in ideology  
54- Poker stake  
55- Something that is lost  
56- Youths  
57- Glowing  
58- Sea eagle  
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60- Trades  
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63- Without emotion

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13- Take away by force  
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## ARIES

Romantic encounters may tend to be stressful if you haven't been completely honest about your past commitments. You will be able to help someone in need. You are strong-willed, but very compassionate toward your loved ones.

## TAURUS

Be reasonable, don't take on more than you can handle. Get yourself out to a social event and focus on meeting people who can help you get ahead. Don't let anyone stand in your way. You have to follow through with your plans.

## GEMINI

Don't be afraid to ask for favors but make sure you find what's expected of you, in return. Wrong decisions regarding money are likely if you're pre-occupied with other worries. Spend quality time with friends or family.

## CANCER

Get together with friends; creative endeavors will be fruitful and satisfying. Romantic encounters are likely if you get involved in social events with friends. Be receptive to the advances being made, and you may find yourself in a new relationship.

## LEO

You will be in the limelight while attending a social function. Opportunities to study are present; don't allow anyone to hold you back from your dreams. Get involved in projects you believe in.

## VIRGO

Don't let your emotions stop you from telling it like it is. Your ability to converse with will increase your self-confidence. Your ability to charm will attract intelligent people.

## LIBRA

This week's motto is, "Neither a borrower nor a lender be." Don't take any financial risks. Don't allow those you live with interfere with your performance in school. Give them the attention they need and move on.

## SCORPIO

Be delicate when discussing serious matters. You will have trouble pleasing everyone. You will be in a position to make changes that will lift your spirits and bring you greater self-confidence.

## SAGITTARIUS

Talk to someone you trust to give you sound advice. Don't allow personal issues to limit your understanding. Don't avoid the truth. Get into physical activities to burn energy that will also keep you fit and trim.

## CAPRICORN

Your desire to be unique will lead to some interesting situations and should head you in a direction that brings you greater personal satisfaction. Don't be afraid to put yourself on the line and stand up for your beliefs.

## AQUARIUS

Be careful not to neglect small but important details. You can make changes if you are prepared to pursue new avenues. Don't be in a hurry to blame your loved ones for things they possibly had no part in.

## PISCES

Minor mishaps due to emotional confusion are possible at this time. Work behind the scenes, you don't need to push your beliefs on others. Spend time with someone you care for, make sure you haven't neglected the ones you love.

## The inside scoop on comedian Stephen Lynch

By Kendra McClymonds  
A & E EDITOR

Stephen Lynch has a way with words. Since launching his career at New York's legendary *Catch A Rising Star*, Lynch quickly garnered a loyal following that can't get enough of his signature twisted love songs. With the Aug. 2, 2000 premiere of Stephen's first television special, Comedy Central Presents Stephen Lynch and a 41-city college tour in support of his debut CD *A Little Bit Special*, he brought his unique comic vision to Westminster last Saturday at the Down Under.

A talented guitarist with an uncanny sense of comic timing, Lynch's boyish looks stand in stark contrast to the dark comedy that he sings in his outrageously funny one-man stage show entitled, "I'll See You In Hell-An Evening Of Love Songs." Lynch displays his vivid and dark imagination when he sings of hilarious, if not mildly disturbing scenarios - such as the corpse he used to date, a romantic mishap with his pet gerbil and the accidental discovery that his girlfriend is a hermaphrodite.

After attending Lynch's comedic and musical performance last week, I had the opportunity to interview this up-and-coming, raunchy comedian, who by the way is best friends with actor Jay Mohr (*Picture Perfect*, *Mafia*, *Pay It Forward*, *Jerry Maguire*, *Saturday Night Live*).

Name: Stephen Lynch

Age: 29

Hometown: Kalamazoo, Michigan

Current Residence: Manhattan in New York City

KM: College?

SL: I went to Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo.

KM: Married?

SL: No. And I don't have any kids named Meghan, either! (This is in reference to the prelude to one of his songs, "Lullaby," where he sings a song to his daughter comically explaining why mommy left them.)

KM: So, how'd you get started doing all this?

SL: In college. My friend and I would write songs together to amuse ourselves. Funny songs. We played them at parties whenever people would listen. And then we kind of forgot about it. I moved to New York as an aspiring actor. Then at some point a friend of mine who I knew from Michigan said he was running a club where they did comedy every once in a while. He said, "Why don't you do some the songs you did in college?" So I thought, all right, this would be a fun thing to do for a minute or two. I got a really good response. So I kept playing every week and going to other places and people would book me for other shows and I wrote more songs. Eventually I started opening up for comics and doing colleges once in a while. And then I got the Comedy Central thing out of it and now I'm on this huge college tour. So it just took off from there.

KM: So that's how you got to Westminster?

SL: Yes, that is how I got to Westminster. I can play a 30,000-student school or a 700 student-school. It doesn't matter.

KM: Did you always have this kind of sense of humor?

SL: Yeah, I think so.

KM: I guess probably not, but do you ever worry about offending anyone?

SL: Well, sometimes people get offended for the wrong reasons and I do worry about that. If they get offended for the right reasons I don't care. I get people who leave all the time and sometimes it's the first time I say a profane word and I couldn't care less about people like that. Or sometimes it's because the subject matter is just a little too raunchy for them. If that's why, I don't care about that either. But if somebody comes up to me and says, "I really believe you are a kitten killer," that tends to be a bit upsetting and I have to explain that it's just a joke. Or if somebody goes, "You're anti-gay because of that song," I say, "No I'm not, I'm not anti-gay, if anything that song is pro-gay." Or if necrophiliacs get upset at me, so be it...or that

immigration phrase in the super hero song, sometimes people don't realize that's tongue-in-cheek and I'm obviously making a comment that they do all the crappy work for nothing and they're not the lazy ones like we are. So then I worry about offending people. But I try not to think about it too much. People are smart enough usually. They figure it out. There's no malice in this - it's all just goofy fun saying a few shocking things.

KM: What about people comparing you to Adam Sandler? Does this irritate you or does it flatter you?

SL: Well, it does both. I think he's a funny guy and I have a couple of his albums myself. But I just think that the only reason people make the comparison is because I do comedy and I have a guitar. You know what I mean? I think our styles are radically different. Which isn't to say I'm funnier or he's funnier when it comes to that kind of thing. I just think we're totally different. I discourage the comparison.

KM: When I spoke with your personal publicist, he compared you to him (Sandler) right away...

SL: Well, I can understand why he does that because it's hard to label what I do. When people ask what I do, he (Lynch's publicist) says, "Well, he's a comic but he sings songs." And they say, "What?" And he just says, "Adam Sandler." And they say, "Oh, ok, I understand now!" So I understand the comparison. I just don't invite it or really believe it too much.

KM: All right, so where do you want to go with this career?

SL: I don't know what I want to do, but this is a lot of fun!

KM: Do you have another job right now?

SL: No, this is it. I do four or five or sometimes six schools in a week. This is all I have time for.

KM: So you're just open for anything that moves your career forward?

SL: Yeah, I'd do anything. As long as I think it's quality work and it's fun, I'll do it.



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE WESTMINSTER COLLEGE MORTAR BOARD** would like to thank all those who donated books for the New Castle Women's Shelter/Rape Crisis Center. The book drive was a huge success and Mortar Board could not have done it without the help of the Westminster students, faculty and staff. The representative from the Women's Shelter was extremely appreciative, and said the books would be used to fill the shelves of a new library planned for their new building.

**MICHAEL KELLY BLANCHARD** will appear at the Wallace Memorial Chapel, Sunday, Nov. 19 at 7 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, contact the Chapel Office at (724) 946-7115.

**OXFAM FAST** is scheduled for Nov. 17 and 18.

**MURDER MYSTERY DINNER THEATER**, presented by Ferguson Residence Life and Alpha Psi Omega, is scheduled Friday, Dec. 1 at 6 p.m. in Russell Dining Hall. Cost is \$10 per person and reservations can be made in the TUB on Nov. 13 and 20 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. or at the

Ferguson front desk from 1-5 p.m. and 7 p.m.-midnight until Thanksgiving Break.

**TOM COTTER** will entertain Saturday, Dec. 2, at 8 p.m. in the Down Under. Cotter has performed on MTV, VH-1, A&E, NBC, the Disney Channel and Comedy Central.

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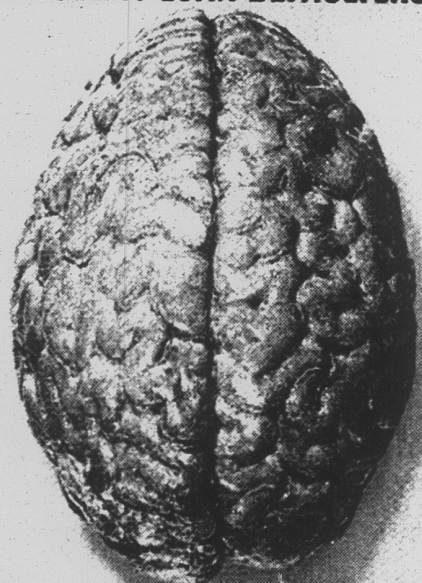
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# Calendar of Events

## FRIDAY 17

Oxfam Fast  
Alpha Phi Omega Fall Retreat  
Giving Tree Begins - TUB Lounge  
11:40 a.m. Chapel  
3:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Initiation - TUB A/B  
6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball Buzz Ridl Classic (H)  
6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Penn State-Behrend Tournament  
8:00 p.m. CPC Presents: Kivi Rogers (comedian) - Down Under  
10:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. JT's Café - Down Under  
High School Honors Chorus Festival - Orr Auditorium

## SATURDAY 18

Kappa Delta Girl Scout Day  
2:30 p.m. High School Honors Chorus Concert - Orr Auditorium  
7:45 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. PRAXIS (National Teachers) Exam - PH 112  
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. PCMEA Fall Workshop - TUB Lounge  
12:30 p.m. Football @ Morehead State University  
1:00 p.m. Swimming vs. Edinboro (H)  
1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Penn State-Behrend Tournament  
4:30 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Thanksgiving Dinner - Down Under  
6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball Buzz Ridl Classic (H)  
7:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel

## SUNDAY 19

6:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Meeting - Sig Ep House  
6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting - Theta Chi House  
6:15 p.m. IFC Meeting — Location TBA  
7:00 p.m. Vespers  
8:00 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Sisterhood Retreat — TUB Lounge  
8:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Rush Party (Steelers vs. Jaguars) - Sig Ep House  
8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230  
9:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under

## MONDAY 20

11:40 a.m. Chapel  
4:15 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Intermediate Yoga, Session C — Dance Studio in Old 77  
5:30 p.m. Panhel Meeting - TUB A/B  
5:45 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Beginning Yoga, Session C — Dance Studio in Old 77  
6:00 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112/113  
6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - TUB A/B  
6:30 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall  
6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116  
7:00 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311/312  
7:30 p.m. Concert: Concert Choir and Chamber Singers - Chapel

## TUESDAY 21

Last Meal Before Break (Board Plan): LUNCH  
9:30 a.m. CCO Staff Meeting — Down Under  
2:00 p.m. TUB Grille Closes for Thanksgiving  
6:00 p.m. HALLS CLOSE FOR THANKSGIVING BREAK  
7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball @ Tiffin  
7:00 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Malone  
10:00 p.m. Walton-Mayne Closes

## WEDNESDAY 22

**THANKSGIVING BREAK**  
Walton-Mayne Closes at 5:00

## THURSDAY 23

**THANKSGIVING DAY (BREAK)**  
College Closed for the Holiday

## FRIDAY 24

**THANKSGIVING BREAK**  
College Closed for the Holiday  
6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball @ Allegheny College Tournament

## SATURDAY 25

**THANKSGIVING BREAK**  
Walton-Mayne Closed  
6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball @ Allegheny College Tournament

## SUNDAY 26

First Meal After Break (Board Plan): DINNER  
2:00 p.m. HALLS OPEN FOLLOWING THANKSGIVING BREAK  
3:00 p.m. Student Recital: Kerry Barker - Chapel  
4:30 p.m. TUB Grille Opens After Break  
Kappa Delta Pi Jerb Miller Memorial Book Sale

## MONDAY 27

**CLASSES RESUME**  
Kappa Delta Pi Jerb Miller Memorial Book Sale Through December 2  
11:40 a.m. Chapel  
5:15 p.m. Seekers Music Rehearsal — Chapel  
5:30 p.m. Panhel Meeting - TUB A/B  
6:00 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112/113  
6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - TUB A/B  
6:30 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall  
6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116  
7:00 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Slippery Rock (H)  
7:00 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311/312  
9:15 p.m. Lambda Sigma Meeting — TUB A/B

## TUESDAY 28

Kappa Delta Pi Jerb Miller Memorial Book Sale Through December 2  
9:30 a.m. CCO Staff Meeting — Down Under  
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Marine Corps Recruiter — TUB Grille  
11:00 a.m. Council of Chairs Meeting — TUB A/B  
5:00 p.m. SAA Meeting - TUB A/B  
5:30 p.m. Residence Hall Advisory Board Meeting - Lindley Dining Room  
5:30 p.m. Continuing Education: First Class for Publishing Flyers, Brochures, Newsletters — PH 214  
6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting — PH 231  
6:00 p.m. Mortar Board Meeting — HSC 166  
7:30 p.m. Faculty Piano Recital: Nancy DeSalvo — Orr Auditorium  
8:00 p.m. Bleasby Colloquium - TUB Lounge  
8:00 p.m. Foreign Film Festival: "L'enfer" - Down Under  
8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball @ Medaille (NY)

## WEDNESDAY 29

Kappa Delta Pi Jerb Miller Memorial Book Sale Through December 2  
All Day Honors Band Rehearsal - Orr Auditorium  
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Marine Corps Recruiter — TUB Grille  
11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum - TUB A/B  
7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
7:00 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Carlow (H)  
7:30 p.m. Westminster Chorale Concert — Chapel  
8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B  
8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - Down Under

## THURSDAY 30

Kappa Delta Pi Jerb Miller Memorial Book Sale Through December 2  
All Day Honors Band Rehearsal - Orr Auditorium  
2:00 p.m. Curriculum Development Committee Meeting — TUB A/B  
4:30 p.m. Student Publications Board Meeting — Old Main 308  
5:30 p.m. Phi Sigma Tau Meeting — PH 116  
7:00 p.m. Black Student Union Meeting — PH 231

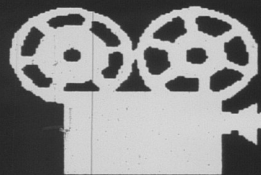
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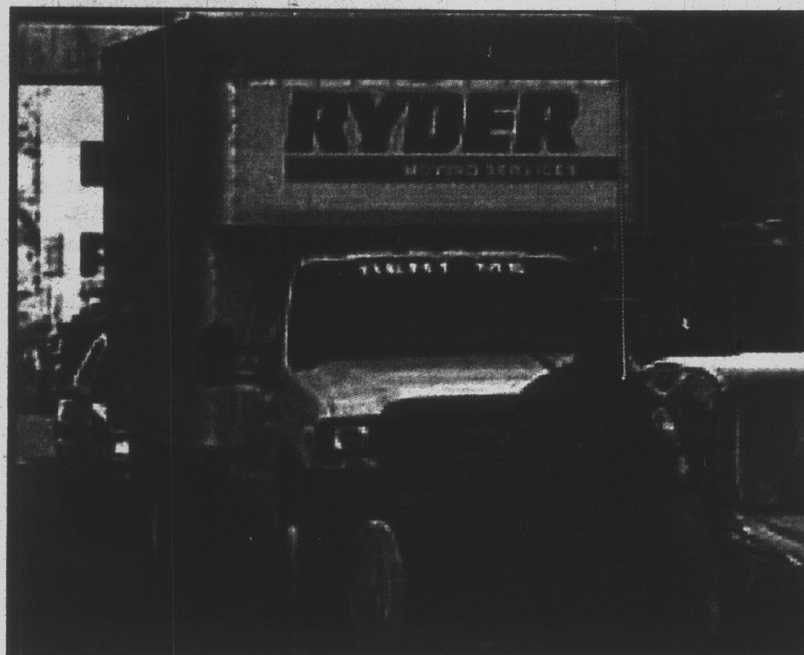
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## Disputed ballots sent to Tallahassee



Palm Beach county's ballots were transported to Tallahassee in compliance with a court order.

AP File Photo

TALLAHASSEE, Florida (CNN) - Palm Beach County's disputed 462,000 presidential ballots arrived at the Leon County Courthouse on Thursday to be turned over to the custody of a court clerk. Circuit Court Judge N. Sanders Sauls will decide whether he should order them recounted, as requested by Democratic candidate Al Gore.

A yellow rental truck, escorted by police cars and motorcycles and followed by a car carrying both Democrat and Republican observers and cars full of members of the media, made the 400-mile trip to the state capital. It was loaded with 162 gray metal boxes, each weighing between 20 and 30 pounds. Helicopters followed the truck during its trip to the capital.

Three Tallahassee police escorts on motorcycles met the convoy as it pulled off Interstate 10 into the city. A crowd of reporters and photographers awaited the ballot procession at the courthouse.

About 654,000 ballots from Miami-Dade County are being shipped, also by ground, on Friday.

Earlier Thursday, a committee in Florida's Republican-led legislature voted Thursday to recommend a special session that could appoint its own slate of presidential electors. Democrats cried foul.

Attorneys for Democrat Al Gore, also aware that time is running short, asked Thursday that the Florida

Supreme Court order an immediate hand recount of some 14,000 disputed ballots in the contested presidential election between Gore and Republican George W. Bush.

Those ballots are among more than 1 million cast in South Florida that a lower court judge may — or may not — order recounted. As things stand now, however, he won't decide that until Saturday. The first batch of those ballots is now being trucked to Tallahassee.

Although Bush already is the certified winner in Florida by a 537-vote margin, Gore is in court, trying to undo that outcome.

Latest developments:

- Bush continues transition preparations at his Texas ranch, where he met Thursday with retired Gen. Colin Powell, widely rumored to be Bush's pick as secretary of state. Powell said he had not yet been offered the job. He and Bush's running mate Dick Cheney flew to Texas for the meeting. Bush welcomed them at his ranch in Crawford, north of Austin. The Texas governor said he had invited Powell to "talk about the transition, particularly national security matters and foreign policy matters."

Asked by reporters about the continuing dispute over the election, Bush said "it's time to get some finality

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## Computer thefts increase in male dorms

By Jody Miron  
STAFF WRITER

Over the past month, students living in Russell and Eichenauer have experienced three incidents of computer and computer-related theft.

According to Tim Bogertman, Eichenauer residence director, three laptops were stolen from two separate rooms. The thefts occurred when students left their rooms unlocked. "The first reported incident occurred about one month ago when two laptops were stolen out of one room and the other incident occurred only two weeks later," Bogertman said.

In Russell, a printer was reported stolen not long ago. The item was recovered and returned to the owner, according to Darren DePaul, Russell residence director.

According to DePaul, there have been five other theft reports in Russell, all concerning money. A total of \$120.00 has been reported stolen.

"The thefts have been investigated by the security department and signed back out for supplemental investigations. As of now, there are no suspects and the missing items have not yet been located," John Lechner, assistant dean for student affairs and public safety said.

"Some people don't have a strong enough

value system and that's when crime occurs. Keeping your door locked is the best thing for students," Lechner said.

"Students are being made aware of the incidents and encouraged to keep their doors locked to prevent any other thefts," DePaul said.

Theft is the third most reported crime on campus and approximately four computer-related thefts occur annually, added Lechner.

"Computers are stolen every year, but not necessarily from the same location. In the past we've had thefts from Hoyt and Patterson computer labs," Lechner said.

With Thanksgiving and Christmas break

approaching, students should be cautious to lock their doors and take any valuable items home, recommended Lechner. "The amount of crime on campus is very, very low, but it still exists," Lechner said.

"Case solvability is very remote," Chief Hanna of the state police added. "Cases are generally cleared 25%-30% in property crimes," Lechner said. Anyone charged with computer theft would go through the judicial system on campus, with the possibility of expulsion, or the charge would be turned over to the New Wilmington police for criminal prosecution, added Lechner.

Giving tree  
displayed in TUB

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Gift solutions for  
a small budget

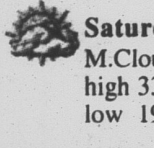
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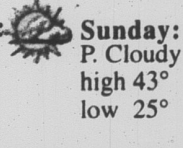
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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Giving tree encourages holiday charity in students and faculty

By William Weniger  
STAFF WRITER

The leaves are gone and snow is falling. Students are preparing for finals and winter break. Christmas, the season of giving, is just around the corner.

Many unfortunate families in the area would go without Christmas presents this holiday season if it weren't for students and faculty lending a helping hand.

The chapel staff is sponsoring a Giving Tree, located in the top of the TUB. On this tree are ornaments bearing the name of a person in need and some gift ideas and sizes.

Any student or faculty member can remove an ornament from the tree and purchase a gift. They then need to wrap it and attach the ornament to the gift. Gifts then may be turned in at Christmas Vespers.

"Boys usually ask for such toys as Legos, or a book or a shirt, while girls may ask for things such as a Wal-mart gift certificate, or body lotion," sophomore biology and religion major Carrie Nehez said.

The Giving Tree also includes the names of adults. The children's names come from the Lawrence County Children and Youth Center, while the adult names come from the City Rescue Mission.

"Adults tend to ask for things such as CDs or clothes," Nehez said. "We currently have 53 names on the tree, and we might get some more."

Usually everyone on the tree receives a gift; it is expected to be that way again this year.

For anyone interested in helping, the Giving Tree will be up until Christmas Vespers. If money is scarce but you would still

like to do something for somebody this holiday season, Sigma Kappa Sorority is joining the Lawrence County Family Services to have a "Toys for Tots" shopping spree at K-mart on Dec. 2.

In this project, students are paired with a child to help them shop for their family for Christmas. They each have a budget of \$25, which covers up to five family members. "Before they shop, K-mart gives all the kids breakfast while we sit with them," junior elementary education major Katie Scott said.

After the kids are done shopping, they go to an area where they can wrap the presents. After this, "They get to see Santa and each child receives a gift, which they have to open at home," Scott said.

"This is a local philanthropy event for Sig Kap," Scott added. "We recruit students and anyone who can be involved."



Photo by Courtney Behm  
The Giving Tree helps less fortunate families enjoy a happy holiday.

## Health center readies itself for approaching cold and flu season

By Megan Clark  
STAFF WRITER

Winter is approaching, and with it, cold and flu season.

For the many students who live too far away from home to see their family doctors, the Student Health Center is available to provide care to all full-time and part-time students who have paid the activity fee.

The Health Center, which is located on the ground floor of Shaw, is open Mon.-Fri. from

7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

One of three physicians, John Mansell, M.D., C. Neilson Herrick, D.O. and James Gregory, M.D., is available to see students Mon. - Fri. from 8:15 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. The Director of Health Services, Judith Duda, R.N., said the doctors are usually there for more than their scheduled hour to accommodate student needs.

"That hour isn't often booked," Duda said. Students who need to see the doctor, but are unable to get an appointment, can go to the

Health Center and wait until the doctor has a chance to see them.

Because waiting can be inconvenient to many, students should make an appointment as soon as they are feeling sick, rather than waiting until an appointment is absolutely necessary. Students can make an appointment to see the doctor by calling EXT. 7927. If there is an emergency during the times the Health Center is not open, a member of the Residence Life staff or security can be contacted to get an ambulance.

The Health Center also provides services such as allergy shots and respiration therapy for an additional fee. Literature and workshops on general health care and other health related issues are also available free of charge.

The Health Center can also provide Report of Absence forms as needed. Unless indicated specifically by a staff member, however, this form is for information purposes only, and is not an excuse from a class.

## TCF renovations to add technology

By Alyson Karg  
STAFF WRITER

TCF renovations will soon be completed, with classes scheduled to begin at the start of spring semester 2001. The building will house the communications studies, theater, art, English, and modern language departments.

President R. Thomas Williamson feels the new TCF will be an asset for these departments.

"Organizationally and academically, it will be a great update for all of the departments," Williamson said.

Thompson Hall was erected in 1893 in honor of Mary Thompson, the late daughter of a science professor. Two years later, in 1895, William Clark donated the money for the addition of Clark Hall. Freeman was added in 1952.

TCF, after over \$3 million in renovations, will house some very modern equipment. All classrooms in the building will be smart-equipped. New features will include air-conditioning, digital clocks in all corridors and classrooms, a video editing lab, a computer graphics lab, a dark room facility complete with rotating light-trap door, a computer learning center, and a lounge area in each

office corridor.

The building will also contain some reminders of the past. The design of the building has been maintained to reflect the Late Victorian/Empirical period, when it was originally built. The trim around doorways and hallways is original. A Victorian blue paint covers the trim throughout the building, which was a color traditionally used during that period. Some of the display cabinets, bookshelves and bulletin boards used are antiques that had been originally installed in the building over 100 years ago.

The greatest reflection of the original TCF building is the President's classroom, room 315. The classroom was designed to look like it once had during the 1890's, but still functions as a smart classroom of today. It includes authentic student desks, each of which is over 100 years old.

This combination of both old and new features is what makes this building unique in comparison to others on campus. Larry Ratvasky, project overseer, found this to be his favorite aspect of the new TCF.

"We've maintained it as historically correct as possible, but yet renovated it to meet all of the current building codes, standards and ADA requirements," Ratvasky said.

## Internet classes considered

By Leanne Walley  
STAFF WRITER

Taking classes over the Internet, which is called "distance learning," may one day become part of our school's curriculum.

"We are looking into it. It's just a matter of getting the curriculum up. It's just not something that will happen over night," Kelly Hartner, campus network manager, said.

Distance learning will allow any student, on or off campus, with access to the Internet, to take the offered courses. This process will allow professors to submit assignments, quizzes and exams over the computer. The students will then be able to submit and send their answers back to their instructor via computer without having to attend class.

Currently, distance learning is only an idea for the future. Changes in the college's computer system will be necessary if this curriculum option is offered. "As of right now, Internet classes are not possible for us. We would have to increase our Internet link

before it can happen," Hartner said.

There have been some attempts to conduct classes through the computer. One such attempt was made with Dr. Carrie Horvath's communications course. Junior Anne Poland thought the experience was interesting. "In small group communications, we tried to conduct one day of class via GroupWise. We had a few problems, but overall it was a nice change from the everyday normal class," Poland said. "I think I would definitely consider taking an Internet class if it was a course required for my major."

Junior Melanie Shuluga disagreed. "I don't believe I would ever take an Internet class. I like to get personal feedback and attention from the professors. I also think it's easier to learn directly from the instructor."

The student body seems to have mixed feelings, but distance learning is still only an idea for the future, and there are no definite plans for this addition to the college's curriculum. Students and faculty will have to wait if this is an option that interests them.

### Correction

from the Nov. 17 edition - Residence Assistants enforce student handbook....

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# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### High ATV accident rates cause safety awareness

By Michael A. Fuoco  
POST-GAZETTE

For years, Ed and Ingrid Streussnig of Penn Hills and their two teen-age sons vacationed at their cottage in Venango County and watched neighbors having a blast riding all-terrain vehicles, or ATVs.

As much as they wanted to own an ATV themselves, they never got around to getting one.

"For one reason or another, we kept putting it off, thinking 'Maybe one day.' And then we decided, 'Some day's now,'" Ingrid Streussnig recalled.

The family bought an ATV in the spring. They loved it so much, they bought another two months later.

But for all the enjoyment the ATVs have brought them - "The most fun we've ever had, all summer," Ingrid said - the family abided by one precept before even getting near their vehicles.

"Safety first," Ed Streussnig said. "We're very high on that."

The family took a training course offered free by their ATV manufacturer, and they follow manufacturer and government warnings: Always wear a helmet, never ride double, never ride on a paved road, never ride while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, never allow children to ride an ATV not recommended for their age group.

The importance of training and proper operation was demonstrated recently:

State police blamed speed and inexperience for the deaths of two girls - ages 14 and 13 - in an ATV accident in Fayette County Oct. 22. The girls were wearing helmets but were riding double, despite warnings not to do so.

Police said speed and inexperience probably contributed to another accident Oct. 22 in which a 16-year-old South Park boy was killed in South Strabane when his ATV hit a tree stump, throwing him and a passenger off. Both were wearing helmets.

An 86-year-old man missing for nearly two days was found dead Sept. 24 under an ATV at the bottom of an embankment in

Donegal. Despite warnings not to ride ATVs on paved roads, state police said, the man had been driving west on Route 830 when he veered off the road and went over the hill.

In April, a North Fayette man pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter for the death of his girlfriend's 7-year-old daughter in an ATV accident last year. Police determined the operator's blood-alcohol level was 0.19, nearly twice the legal limit, at the time of the accident. And in addition to disregarding the prohibition against carrying passengers, neither the man nor the child was wearing a helmet.

In a different vein, a Fayette County man died the night of June 16 after he rode an ATV into a 100-foot-deep hole in a stone quarry in Bullskin. The victim was an experienced ATV rider who was familiar with the terrain but apparently didn't realize the hole had been dug recently, state police said.

Nationally, there were 3,716 ATV-related deaths between 1982 and 1999, according to the CPSC. Pennsylvania, with 214 deaths during that period, was second, trailing only

California, which had 240, according to the CPSC's most recent annual report, released in June.

Pennsylvania recorded 79 ATV-related fatalities between 1994 and 1999. There were 15 fatalities each last year and in 1997; 14 in 1994; 13 in 1998; and 11 each in 1995 and 1996, according to DCNR statistics.

From Jan. 1, 1994, through the third week of this month, DCNR statistics show, there were five ATV fatalities each in Westmoreland and Butler counties; four in Allegheny; two each in Beaver and Fayette and none in Greene and Armstrong.

Nationally, 35 percent of the victims were under 16 years old and 15 percent were under 12, the CPSC reported. Recent studies by the CPSC showed that the risk of injury was 2.5 times higher when children younger than 16 drive ATVs than for drivers 16 to 34 years of age and 4.5 times higher than for drivers 35 to 54.

### Westmoreland man held on bond for vandalism charges

By Jan Ackerman  
Post-Gazette Staff Writer

A Westmoreland County man who police say vandalized two car dealerships and a cemetery during a bizarre series of events over the weekend was in custody.

State police charged Tony Alan Rusu, 18, of Adamsburg, with burglary, theft and criminal mischief in connection with the incidents that occurred at Kenny Ross Ford in Hempfield, Rock Bottom Auto Sales in Adamsburg and a nearby cemetery.

He was being held on \$75,000 bond in the Westmoreland County Jail.

According to police, it was Rusu who broke into Kenny Ross on Route 30 by throwing a rock through the front window around 3:27 a.m. Saturday.

Once inside, Rusu got inside a Cadillac and drove it through the showroom's glass door. Police said he went back inside and then drove out in a green Ford Contour.

Police said Rusu drove the Contour east along Route 30 to Rock Bottom Auto Sales,

where they said he threw a rock through the picture window of the trailer that is used as a business office.

He went inside and damaged furniture and records and threw a computer through a window, police said.

Before leaving, he smashed the side windows of eight vehicles parked in the lot.

Then the suspect went to a cemetery in North Huntingdon and damaged headstones.

Police said Rusu returned to the Kenny Ross dealership, damaged the desks of members of the sales staff, and then drove a white Thunderbird through the front of the building.

By then, alarms were sounding at the dealership and police were responding, confronting Rusu.

Before officers could stop him, he climbed into a white Ford Contour and drove it through the glass showroom window.

He then sped off, traveling east on Route 30.

The white Contour was recovered near the amphitheater in North Huntingdon.

### Regional Briefs

#### Accidents tie up roads

Accidents caused massive traffic tie-ups Sunday on both sides of the state as motorists jammed the highways to return home at the end of the Thanksgiving holiday weekend. Also yesterday, an Allegheny County man was killed in a single-vehicle wreck in Beaver County. Joseph Santia, 29, of Crescent Township was killed shortly after 6 p.m. in a crash along Route 51 in Aliquippa near the Ambridge Bridge, according to Beaver County Coroner Wayne Tatalovich.

No other details were immediately available.

There were no serious injuries in a crash that occurred shortly after 10 a.m. in the east-bound lanes of the Pennsylvania Turnpike in Westmoreland County between the Donegal and New Stanton interchanges, state police said.

But traffic quickly stalled, forcing troopers to reroute all eastbound traffic onto Route 30 from the Irwin and New Stanton interchanges for about an hour, police said.

Traffic continued at a slow pace most of the day before the flow of traffic lightened in the early evening hours, troopers said.

In the eastern part of the state, at least 19 people suffered minor injuries in a 50-car pile-up on Interstate 81 in Schuylkill County.

The injured were taken to Good Samaritan Hospital in Pottsville. "Most of them are shaken up - understandably so," said hospital spokeswoman Joanne Parulis.

Parulis said two children and several elderly men and women suffered bumps and bruises in the crash. None were admitted.

#### Grocery store closes after a gas line break

A 6-inch natural gas line broke Sunday morning in Bloomfield, forcing a Foodland grocery store to close and residents to evacuate their homes for several hours.

The gas line ruptured about 9 a.m. at

Liberty Avenue and Ella Street, near the Bloomfield Bridge, according to Elmore Lockley, spokesperson for Dominion Peoples Gas.

Residents of a handful of nearby apartments evacuated their homes and were able to return after the line was repaired about 1 p.m., Lockley said. The Foodland closed but resumed business in the afternoon, he said.

Seven residential gas customers temporarily lost service.

A laundromat and Del's Bar and Restaurant also were evacuated, according to Pittsburgh police. Traffic was rerouted while crews repaired the line. The cause of the break was not known yesterday, Lockley said.

#### Ridge travels on trade mission to South America

A delegation of 40 employers, educators and economic-development specialists from across Pennsylvania are traveling with Gov. Tom Ridge on an international trade mission in South America.

The seven-day mission began Sunday in Sao Paulo, Brazil, and will continue in Argentina and Chile, a Ridge spokesman said.

The Pennsylvania delegation will showcase their products and services in four main fields - information technology, energy, medicine and environmental technology.

The delegation includes those from Allegheny, Beaver, Erie, Fayette, Lawrence, Mercer and Westmoreland counties as well as several other counties throughout the state.

Among other things, Ridge hopes to secure Brazilian investors in Pennsylvania; explore growth opportunities for the state's railroad-equipment industry; and open a South American office for a high-tech Pittsburgh employer.

The number of traveling participants far surpasses the previous high of 22 that accompanied Ridge on his 1999 trade mission to Europe.

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## NATIONAL

## OSU riot has prospective students reconsidering

By Dave O'Neil  
THE LANTERN (Ohio State U.)

(U-WIRE) COLUMBUS, Ohio — Prospective Ohio State University students and their parents, preparing for a tour of the university on Monday morning, were greeted with a photo of students attempting to overturn a car on the front page of the Lantern.

With a shortened week for high school students because of the Thanksgiving holiday, tours on campus have increased in number despite the cold temperatures.

The influx of prospective students on campus this week, coupled with the riots over this past weekend is not helping OSU lure possible incoming freshmen.

"Obviously, when you see a car being overturned, it's going to raise some concerns," said parent Lucas Barnes, whose son Jameel was set to take a tour of campus. "My son

knows better than that, he would not be involved (in the riots), but then you hear about some kid getting stabbed and you don't know."

Priscila Flannery and her daughter Erin made the two-hour journey south from Cleveland to tour the campus.

"It was so nice. I cannot wait to come here next year," Erin Flannery said after her OSU tour.

After being informed about the riots and given Monday's edition of the Lantern, the Flannerys' enthusiasm for Ohio State died down.

"No way could I ever see myself involved (in a riot), and I hope my parents realize that," Erin Flannery said. "But they will be paying the bill, so, I mean, it is their choice."

"I haven't been in college for a long time, but I think college students everywhere are the same," Priscila Flannery said. "I bet 99

percent of the students at OSU are nice kids."

Not all parents and students, however, were as forgiving.

"It's ridiculous," said parent Rick Simko, who is from Pittsburgh. "I take a day off of work to drive down here expecting to hear about teachers and instead I am learning about the police captain."

Simko's son, Greg, said he had always wanted to go to OSU, but after learning about the riots and hearing some kids talk about them, he has changed his mind.

"I heard kids in restaurants and libraries saying, 'Oh man, that riot was sweet, I was there,'" he said. "I'm sorry, but I don't want to spend four years of my life at a place where rioting is considered 'sweet'"

Parents and prospective students also had differing opinions as to the cause of the riots.

"I don't blame the university, I blame the students and the drinking," said parent John

Biggio from Columbus.

His daughter Caitlin disagreed.

"I've partied down on campus a bunch of times, and it's always the same. Everything is going great and then the cops come and incite the violence," she said.

Casey Berlon, a high school senior from Paducah, KY., also on the tour, quickly rebuked Biggio's statement.

"Look, it's not the cops. It's the drinking, flat out," he said. "I'm disgusted to be associated with this age group. We never want to take responsibility for our own actions, it's always someone else's fault."

"They got silly drunk and did stupid things, it's that simple."

Of the nine parents interviewed, six said the riots would have no impact on their decision to send their child to OSU. Seven of the nine prospective students said it would not affect their decision to attend OSU.

## National Briefs

## Post office is ready for holiday mail load

WASHINGTON - The Postal Service is bringing in thousands of temporary workers, 80 more airplanes, extra trucks and trains to speed the movement of holiday mail. Between Thanksgiving and Christmas, the agency will handle an average of 150 million pieces of mail daily - that's 50 million per day more than the rest of the year. The peak day is expected to be Dec. 11, when an estimated 280 million items will be postmarked. A second peak is expected Dec. 18, with the busiest delivery days between Dec. 13 and 20.

## American Indian victims celebrate

DENVER - On Nov. 7, President Clinton signed a bill creating the Sand Creek National Historic Site. To American Indians, Sand Creek was the My Lai of the 19th century. But most Americans have never heard of it. On Nov. 29, 1864, a cavalry unit launched an unprovoked raid on a sleeping Indian village, killing more than 150 Cheyenne and Arapaho, mostly women, children and elderly men. Congress condemned the attack a

year later and promised reparations, but none came.

## Holiday travelers come home in droves

Busy airports, congested roads and trains, and wet, foggy weather in some parts of the country on Sunday made the trip home that much longer for Thanksgiving travelers. With the Air Transport Association predicting a record 2.24 million passengers, airport officials were bracing for the worst. No major delays were reported at airports in Miami, Atlanta and Seattle, while sleet and freezing rain surprised homebound travelers in New England.

## More minorities stopped, searched in N.J.

TRENTON, N.J. - Nearly 100,000 pages of documents made public Monday show that New Jersey state troopers stopped overwhelmingly disproportionate numbers of minorities in searches for drugs, the state's attorney general says. However, no evidence has been found that New Jersey worked to hide evidence that troopers searched minority

motorists based solely on the color of their skin.

## Pilot of small plane killed in crash

KATY, Texas - The pilot of a small plane was killed Sunday when his aircraft collided with another plane and then crashed on an interstate highway, authorities said. Don Lee was flying a Cessna single-engine plane that collided with a small experimental plane about 30 miles west of Houston, authorities said.

## Paper wants more police at printing plant

SEATTLE - The Seattle Times asked for more police outside a printing plant where picketing union members continued their strike against Seattle's two major daily newspapers. The Times asked for more police after strikers temporarily blocked cars from leaving a parking lot. No decision had been made on hiring replacements for staff reporters and photographers, who walked out along with advertising, marketing and circulation personnel.

## Three killed in plane crash

RIXFORD, Pa. - A small plane crashed in the woods of northwestern Pennsylvania, killing a couple and their teen-age son. The single-engine plane took off Sunday morning from Bradford, near the Pennsylvania-New York state line and about 70 miles southeast of Erie. It crashed a few minutes later several miles from the airport. The pilot had radioed that he needed to return to the airport, said a spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration.

## Driver faces \$15,000 fine for unpaid tolls

ORLANDO, Fla. - Officials say Wesley Ridgwell was "JST CRZY," zipping through 705 toll booths without paying and becoming one of the state's biggest toll scofflaws. So instead of paying 25 cents here and 75 cents there, Ridgwell is facing a \$15,000 fine unless a hearing officer throws out the government's case next week. Authorities have 705 photos taken by automatic cameras of Ridgwell skipping tollbooths. "People who know me just can't believe this is happening," said Ridgwell, 23.

## Weird News

## Slightly off center . . . Greek executive's plan to catch flight bombs

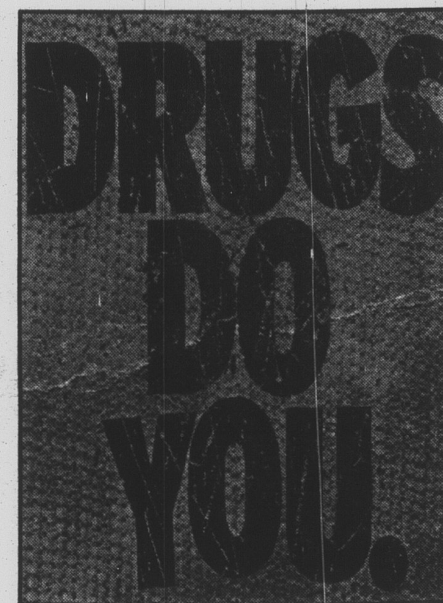
ATHENS, Greece - Nikita Kotiadis was running very late for his flight and had a plan to delay the flight. About an hour before the flight to Brussels, Belgium, was due to leave, the dairy products company executive asked his secretary to telephone Axon Airlines. He then told them there was a bomb on the plane in an attempt to delay it long enough for him to get to the airport, police said. Police arrested Kotiadis when he arrived for his flight. A court sentenced him to seven months imprisonment for obstructing transportation. Under Greek law, a fine can be paid instead of serving time, and Kotiadis was not jailed.

## Woman left for dead, calls 911 again

TOPEKA, Kan. - A woman who survived a suicide attempt dialed 911 for help and then passed out - and when rescuers arrived, they thought she was dead. She had to call 911 a second time before she was given any help. Firefighters trained as emergency medical technicians found the 53-year-old woman unconscious and assumed she was dead, without checking for a pulse. Meanwhile, the woman regained consciousness and called 911 again. Firefighters outside the home were told of the call and rushed inside to provide medical care.

## How to wrap that Christmas gift

MONTE VISTA, Colo. - How do you keep a Christmas tree fresh on a 1,500-mile road trip to the nation's capital? Shrink-wrap it. That's what Ron and Debra Pepper, owners of Triple P Wrap-It, have volunteered to do with a Colorado blue spruce slated to be cut this week at the Pike-San Isabel National Forest. The 60-foot, 77-year-old tree was selected nearly two years ago by U.S. Forest Service rangers as America's "Millennium Holiday Tree." Debra Pepper said the tree will be wrapped in plastic after being placed inside a covered truck.





## INTERNATIONAL

## Canadian Prime Minister Chretien calls for early vote

OTTAWA (AP) - Prime Minister Jean Chretien's gamble for a third-straight term and a place in Canadian history went to the voters Monday in an early election that could cost the governing Liberal Party its majority in Parliament.

The normally cautious Chretien set Monday's vote just 3 years into his second five-year term amid a booming economy and record budget surplus.

Faced with moves from within the newly formed main opposition party, the Canadian Alliance, to consolidate its conservative support and calls to step aside from his own ruling Liberal party, Chretien, 66, decided to seek a fresh mandate from voters.

In the last vote, in 1997, the Liberals won 155 of the 301 House of Commons seats, and campaign polls have indicated a similar result this time.

That would make Chretien the longest-serving leader of the world's industrial powers when President Clinton steps down in

January, and secure his legacy as one of only three Liberal leaders able to deliver three straight majority victories.

Failure to win a majority, though, would likely bring Chretien's ouster as party leader in favor of heir apparent Paul Martin, the finance minister who has much greater personal popularity.

No matter the outcome, no change is expected in Canada-U.S. relations.

The two countries form the world's largest two-way trade partnership, with Canada's economic growth in recent years dependent on a similar boom south of the border in the dominant U.S. economy.

Despite minor glitches Monday with voters lists in some polling stations, balloting went smoothly as people lined up before heading to work. Chretien, wearing a dark overcoat while voting with his wife Aline in his hometown of Shawinigan in Quebec, said: "It's easier than in the United States."

The Liberals, in power since 1993, were

virtually certain to win the most votes in the five-party contest.

They won their majority in 1997 with only 38.5% of the popular vote, and the final round of nationwide opinions polls showed them with roughly 40% support, 12 to 15 points ahead of the second-place Alliance.

No party could boast of coast-to-coast popularity.

The Liberals dominate in vote-rich Ontario, where they won 101 of the 103 seats in 1997, while all but one of the Alliance's 58 seats came from the four western provinces.

In Quebec, the separatist Bloc Quebecois was expected to win most of the 75 seats without running candidates anywhere else, with the Liberals placing a strong second.

The Progressive Conservatives and leftist New Democratic Party hoped to win seats in the Atlantic provinces and other scattered areas.

A total of 20.4 million Canadians were registered, with a few hundred thousand more

expected to register at polling stations Monday. The 67% turnout in the 1997 vote was the lowest since 1925.

In calling the early election, Chretien hoped to prevent the Alliance and its 50-year-old untested leader, Stockwell Day, from gathering any momentum after forming in March.

The Alliance struggled, with Day - a fundamentalist Christian who believes in creationism - spending much of the campaign trying to counter suggestions that he and his allies were right-wing zealots.

Chretien himself became the central campaign issue, though. Day and other opponents attacked him ceaselessly as arrogant and out-of-touch, saying he called the early vote out of personal ambition.

To counter Chretien's declining popularity ratings, the Liberals used Martin as a major campaigner and even hinted that Chretien would likely step aside sometime during a third term.

## International Briefs

## Opposition tries to topple Barak government

JERUSALEM - Israel's hard-line opposition appealed to the Supreme Court on Monday in a new bid to topple Prime Minister Ehud Barak, while Israeli and Palestinian officials met secretly to try to resume security coordination. The action comes a day after Israel's most serious cross-border retaliatory attack on Lebanon to the north since pulling its troops from an occupied border region in May. Meanwhile, Barak again called for a so-called national emergency government that, he said, "will meet the wishes of the public and also a real need in light of the struggle we are facing."

## Yugoslav army bolsters forces

BUJANOVAC, Yugoslavia - Yugoslavia postponed a deadline Monday it had set for NATO to curb Kosovo Albanian militants on the Kosovo border - saying it wanted to give diplomacy a chance before launching a counterattack to drive out rebels who have killed four Serb policemen. The new, democratic government of President Vojislav Kostunica had threatened to launch a counterattack on its side of the boundary unless

NATO stopped rebel infiltration by 7 p.m. (1 p.m. EST) Monday.

## Landslides, floods kill more than 100

JAKARTA, Indonesia - Monsoon rains inundated the island of Sumatra on Monday, triggering dozens of landslides and sweeping victims down raging rivers. The flooding has so far killed more than 100 people. With dozens unaccounted for, rescuers feared the death toll would rise on the Indonesian island. Relief workers said blocked and flooded roads and continuing rains are hampering rescue efforts.

## Three bombs injure at least 24 in Pakistan

LAHORE, Pakistan - Three bombs exploded in eastern Punjab province Monday, injuring at least 24 people, police said. Two bombs went off within minutes of each other at a bus stop in Lahore, the Punjab provincial capital. The third bomb ripped through a crowded market in Muridke, some 18 miles northwest of Lahore. No one has claimed responsibility.

## Carnival at River Kwai draws criticism

KANCHANABURI, Thailand - Hundreds of revelers whooped it up Monday

at the Bridge on the River Kwai in a garish carnival that some veterans said commercializes a World War II atrocity - the Thai-Myanmar "Death Railway." The two-week festival started Sunday after a somber memorial ceremony. More than 100,000 Asians and 13,000 Allied prisoners of war died building the bridge and the 260-mile railway under the yoke of the Japanese Army.

## Ebola spreads southwest in Uganda

KAMPALA, Uganda - Ugandan officials recorded another death from the deadly Ebola virus in the southwest of the country Monday, while 14 others died from the highly contagious virus in the north, health officials said. The Ebola outbreak - Uganda's first - originated in the town of Gulu, 225 miles north of Kampala, with the first of hundreds of victims showing symptoms in September. Seventeen new cases were reported Monday, the director general of health services said. In all, 145 people have now died of the disease.

## French president addresses mad cow

PARIS - French President Jacques Chirac promised to keep up the fight against mad cow disease Monday when he met with the families of two victims of the human form of

the brain-wasting disease, a group representing the families said. French politicians are keen to assure the public that everything is being done to limit the spread of the disease. The fears have since spread across Europe, as Germany and Spain recorded their first cases last week.

## Czech president falls ill

PRAGUE, Czech Republic - Czech President Vaclav Havel is suffering from a viral disease and his official program has been canceled, his spokesman said Monday. Medical tests show he is developing pneumonia, Havel's spokesman Ladislav Spacek said in a statement sent to The Associated Press. He said the president was being treated with antibiotics at his residence in Lany, outside Prague.

## Fujimori doesn't rule out returning

TOKYO - Ousted Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori refused on Monday to rule out a political comeback in his homeland once he is cleared of allegations of corruption. "We cannot say that this is the end of an era," Fujimori said in an interview at a Tokyo hotel. He denied any wrongdoing and said political enemies fabricated the charges.

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# SPORTS

## Swim teams thrash Scots; defend title at Edinboro

By Mike Power  
STAFF WRITER

The Westminster College men's and women's swim teams both improved to 2-0 on the season as they won their meets in commanding fashion over Division II school Edinboro University.

Leading the way for the men in a lopsided 107-72 win over the Scots was sophomore Jim Mann, who won two of his individual events, the 100-meter butterfly and the 500-meter freestyle. Mann also swam anchor to clinch the victory in the 200-meter medley relay.

As a result of his outstanding performance in the Edinboro meet, Mann will compete at the U.S. Open Meet in Alabama at the end of the month, swimming against some of the country's best student athletes.

"We do expect big things out of Jim [Mann]. He was one of our top qualifiers last season for the National Championship meet, as a freshman," Head Coach Rob Klamut said.

Mann wasn't the only Titan swimmer to help the men win, however, other underclassmen on the team provided wins in their events.

Junior Aaron Francis won the 1,000-meter

freestyle, junior Brian Lytle won the 100-meter freestyle, sophomore Seth Bontrager won the 400-meter individual medley and freshman Matt Buzard won the 50-meter freestyle.

"We expect good things in the future," Klamut said. "The freshmen and sophomores are stepping up, but we're seeing real good things out of everyone."

The Lady Titans whipped the Lady Scots 104-79.

Leading the women to victory was freshman Brittany Jardine, winning the 1,000-meter freestyle and 100-meter butterfly. Along with Jardine, freshman Katie Alukonis won 200-meter freestyle as well as the 100-meter butterfly.

"The Edinboro meet was a good experience for our teams," Klamut said. "It allowed us to gain some confidence in our skills and hopefully it will payoff later in the season when our schedule begins to become more difficult."

Both the men's and women's swim teams are currently ranked 16th in the nation and hope to defend that ranking as they compete in the Akron Invitational Dec. 1-3.



Photo by Aly Karg

Both swim teams came out strong against Edinboro to capture their second wins.

## Titan football team closes first Division III season with 8-2 record

By Anne Poland  
STAFF WRITER



Photo by Courtney Behm

Brian Rigby discusses the team's performance during one of the Titans home games. Their season ended with a 8-2 record.

The Titan football team traveled to Kentucky Nov. 18 to take on NCAA Division I-AA Morehead State University for the first time in Westminster history. The Titans were defeated in the final seconds of the game with a score of 42-35, sealing their record at 8-2 for the season.

Morehead State seemed to take control early in the game with a 14-0 lead halfway through the first quarter. Westminster scored on a one-yard dive by senior tailback John Ciavarra, to make the score 14-7. But MSU scored again to take a 21-7 lead. The Titans gained 17 points on a 21-yard field goal by junior kicker Jon McCartney and two touchdown passes from senior QB James Graham to senior wideout Brian Lipiello for a 24-21 Titan lead. But MSU took the lead at half-time scoring in the last 28 seconds of the half.

The Titans regained the lead in the third period on a 16-yard TD pass from Graham to senior tight end Brian Rigby. At the end of

the third quarter Lipiello scored on a 16-yard pass from Graham, making the score 38-28.

MSU scored again with 11 minutes to play cutting the score to 38-35. The Titans kept that lead until the last 8 seconds of the game. A pass interference call against Westminster brought the ball from the 19 to the 4-yard line. Morehead threw a touchdown pass and made the extra point to defeat the Titans 42-35.

"Although our team came up a little bit short on Saturday, we didn't hold anything back, and we have nothing to be ashamed of," Rigby said.

Graham tied his career-high with four TD passes. Ciavarra rushed for 89 yards to give him 1,013 yards rushing this season. He is the fifth Titan back in school history to surpass 1,000 yards rushing in a season.

The Titans had their 46th winning season in the past 49 years at Westminster under new head coach Jerry Schmitt. In just his first year, Schmitt brought the Titans an undefeated season in the new conference. Their record was 5-0 overall in the PAC. The only games they lost were non-conference games.

"I thought that we turned some heads this season," junior student assistant coach Nathan Tengowski said. "Not many people believed that we would be as successful as we have been. Were it for a couple of breaks here and there we would have been undefeated. I feel very strongly about the continued success of Westminster football."

"Entering a new conference and being successful made this season very enjoyable. I think we established that Westminster will be a team to be reckoned with in Division III," said Rigby.

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# Wormsley surpasses one thousand career point mark

By Brian Wilson  
STAFF WRITER

The Titan hoopsters got off to a busy start winning four of five games last week.

The men captured their own Buzz Ridl Classic Nov. 18, defeated Tiffin on the road Nov. 21, and split Allegheny College's Dad's Day Tournament on Nov. 25.

The Buzz Ridl Classic is named for the legendary Titan coach of the 1950s and 60s and has served as the traditional season-opener since its inauguration in 1992.

During the first game of the tournament, a 91-80 win over the University of Waterloo (Ont. Canada), senior guard Andy Wormsley joined Titan ex-hoop stars Ron Galbreath and Larry Ondako in becoming the 29th player in Westminster history to surpass the 1000 career point mark.

Head coach Jim Dafler expressed pride for Wormsley's achievement.

"Andy is a good kid and he's been working hard for a long time," he said.

The men returned from a 40-35 deficit at the half by outscoring Waterloo 22-5 in the third quarter.

Notable performances, in addition to Wormsley's 19 points, were given by senior forwards Chad Phillips, with a game-high 29 points, and Henry Klinar, with 21 points and nine rebounds.

The team then faced Walsh University (Canton, OH) in the championship game. The Titans led the Cavaliers 35-28 at halftime, but then jostled for position during most of the second half.

Westminster put the hammer down with

3:22 to go by outscoring Walsh 15-5 in the final minutes.

Leading the way were Phillips with 27 points and 12 rebounds and Wormsley with 15 points. Klinar and junior guard Ryan Oman scored 13 apiece.

Phillips was chosen as the tournament MVP, while teammates Wormsley and Klinar earned All-Tournament honors.

Dafler was happy with the win.

"Winning the home tournament is always a good way to start the season," he said.

The team then traveled to central Ohio to face Tiffin College in an 83-82 nail-biter decided by a pair of Phillips free throws with 12 seconds left on the clock.

Phillips' season-high 29 points and 10 rebounds led a trio of double digit scorers including Klinar, with 20 points, and sophomore forward Joe Wilson with 12 points and eight boards from the bench.

"Tiffin was a tough game from start to finish," Dafler said. "Their assistant coach, Kevin Siroki, was part of our coaching staff the last few years. There was no fooling them, they were ready and put up a heck of a fight."

After a short break in the action, the team ventured to Meadville for Allegheny's tournament.

The opening round saw an end of the Titan's undefeated streak with a 77-63 loss to Mount Union College.

The Purple Raiders went out strong with a 19-2 run in the first quarter and never looked back. The Titans managed to come back to a 10-point deficit, but soon faded.

Luckily, the team was able to bounce back from the loss with a 111-78 thrashing of



Photo by Courtney Behm

Andy Wormsley joins just 29 other Titans in surpassing 1000 career points.

Allegheny in the final game.

Five Titans scored double digits in the win. Phillips tallied 28 points, while Wormsley contributed 18. Klinar had 15, Oman with 11 and freshman Andy Podbielski with 10.

Dafler expressed his feelings of the two games.

"The loss to Mount Union was unexpected and disappointing, but it was good to bounce back and beat Allegheny on their own court," he said.

As for the season so far, assistant coach Larry Ondako thinks the team is headed in the right direction.

"These games have been a good chance to get the younger guys some valuable experience," he said.

Dafler believes it has been a good start. "The only way it could be better is if we were 5-0, so I guess I can't complain too much," he said.

## Thayer and Himes chosen for All-Tournament team



Photo by Courtney Behm

Jamie Lynn brings the ball upcourt while Ashley Kenney puts the pressure on during a Titan practice.

By James Baron  
STAFF WRITER

The women's basketball team endured three hard losses to Penn State - Behrend, Malone, and Slippery Rock on Nov. 18, 21 and 27 respectively.

The Titans fell behind by 12 points in the first half against Behrend and could not assume the lead despite outscoring their opponent 40-37 in the second half, with a final score of 74-65.

Leading scorers for the Titans were junior

guard Robin Thayer, with 19 points and Julie Nansen with 11 points.

Thayer and sophomore Samor Himes were chosen for the All-Tournament team for their performances.

Malone College took an early lead of 42-25 by halftime that the Lady Titans could not recover from. Despite a Westminster 20-12 run in the second half, the Pioneers held on to win 85-57.

Himes earned her first double-double of the season with 22 points and 11 rebounds. Thayer scored 18 points in the loss.

Malone had five players who scored in double digits in the non-conference contest. Falling to a 1-3 record, the Titans lost their third straight game in a 79-53 decision against Slippery Rock.

Slippery Rock took an early lead of 43-21 by the first half. They led by at least 22 points

throughout the second half.

Leading scorers for the Titans were sophomore Ashley Kenney with 18 points, and senior Julie Nansen with 12 points. Himes led the team with nine rebounds.

Slippery Rock had four players who scored in double digits. Leading the way was Jackie Altenweg with 20 points.

Kenney believes that despite the losses, they are a better team than last year.

"We have improved a lot since last year when most of our team were Freshmen," she said. "We are a lot more mature and used to each other."

Thayer is confident in her team and expects no changes in the team's approach.

"We had a rough start, playing some of the hardest teams, but I am confident about the rest of the season."

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to the process." When the election is finally settled, he added, "Dick Cheney and I will be the president and vice president."

A committee of the Republican-controlled Florida Legislature called Thursday for lawmakers to meet in special session "as soon as practicable" to consider appointment of electors in the state's contested presidential election. The vote came over the objections of Democrats, who said there should be no interference in the election controversy.

Florida's House speaker and Senate president are expected to follow the recommendation, which Gore running mate Joe Lieberman said threatened to put the United States "in a constitutional crisis." He accused Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, the candidate's brother, of encouraging the legislature's intervention.

Florida's Republican lawmakers say the U.S. Constitution allows them to appoint their

own slate of electors because the legal wrangling could drag past the state's December 12 deadline for naming them. Nationally, the Electoral College meets December 18.

Gore's lawyers filed papers Thursday in the U.S. Supreme Court challenging the right of Florida lawmakers to name their own presidential electors. The Gore brief was filed one day before the nation's highest court hears oral arguments on a separate matter — a request by Bush to overturn a Florida Supreme Court ruling. The Florida high court decision allowed recounts beyond a deadline in state law.

Gore and Lieberman resumed transition planning Thursday, meeting at the White House with a team of aides.

U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno said Thursday she has spoken to NAACP President Kweisi Mfume about plans by the

civil rights group to sue Florida and several of its counties over alleged voting irregularities. Reno said the Justice Department would "pursue" the matter but did not elaborate.

Gore lawyers Thursday filed an appeal with the Florida Supreme Court, hoping to get an immediate recount of 14,000 disputed votes from Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties. "These are real votes that just haven't been counted because of the limitations of the punch-card ballot system," said Gore attorney David Boies. Republicans insist they are "undervotes" or non-votes, where ballot-counting machines did not register a choice because voters made the decision not to select a candidate for president. Bush campaign attorney Ben Ginsberg told CNN that Republicans would file a response with the Florida Supreme Court opposing the Democrats' appeal.

The Florida Supreme Court has received written arguments from voters seeking a new election in Palm Beach County, but the state's highest court has not yet said if it will take up the case. The voters claim the design of the county's punch-card ballots — known as "butterfly ballots" — was confusing, causing them to vote for the wrong presidential candidate. The Bush campaign says a Democrat designed the ballot and that Florida law requires any challenge to the ballot be made in advance of the election.

Palm Beach County on Wednesday released corrected vote totals showing that Gore picked up a net gain of 188 votes. Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris didn't accept the numbers because the county didn't complete its recount until two hours after a Sunday deadline.

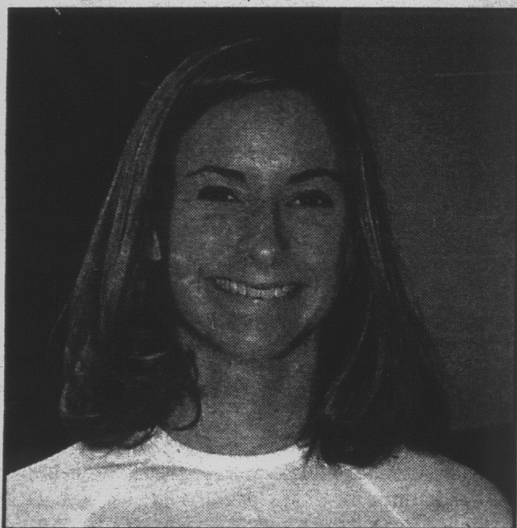


# FEATURE

## We are the people in your neighborhood

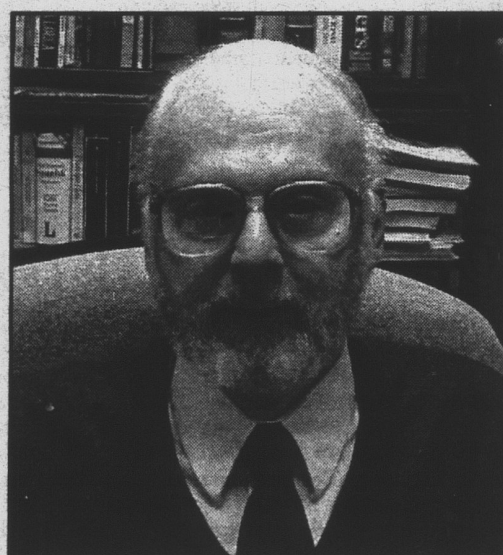
This week featuring Sarah Elizabeth Fast and Dr. James Albert Cummins

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR



**Name:** Sara Elizabeth Fast  
**Hometown:** McKeesport, PA  
**Nickname:** "Fast"  
**Year at WC:** Sophomore  
**Sign:** Pisces  
**Major:** Business Administration  
**Pet Peeve:** "People who drive in the left lane and don't pass."  
**SB: If you could be any cartoon character, who would you be?**  
Fast: This is hard. I don't know. Bugs Bunny 'cause he gets away with everything and he's still funny.  
**SB: Is that your natural hair color?**  
Fast: No, it's not. But it's just highlighted though.  
**SB: What is your ancestry?**  
Fast: Irish.  
**SB: What do you feel is your greatest talent?**  
Fast: Being optimistic, making light of situations, like when someone's feeling bad I am good at raising their spirits.  
**SB: What is your full name and do you know why you were named that?**  
Fast: Sarah Elizabeth Fast. Sarah-for biblical reasons, Elizabeth-same reasons.

**Name:** Dr. James Albert Cummins  
**Hometown:** Huntingdon, PA  
**Nickname:** "Jim"  
**Year at WC:** 38th  
**Sign:** Cancer  
**Department:** Foreign Language, Spanish  
**Pet Peeve:** "People who are tailgating me when I'm doing five or ten miles over the speed limit."  
**SB: If you could be any cartoon character, who would you be?**  
Cummins: I kinda like Garfield.  
**SB: Is that your natural hair color?**  
Cummins: Yes. (laughs). It was originally blond.  
**SB: What is your ancestry?**  
Cummins: English, basically, on both sides. One's from Land's End on my mother's side. That's probably why I like British sitcoms.  
**SB: What do you feel is your greatest talent?**  
Cummins: Probably patience.  
**SB: What is your full name and do you know why you were named that?**  
Cummins: James Albert Cummins. No, I think it was to find a name-we were trying not to repeat names in the family-and they were thinking David but I think there was some family connection to the name David.



## 'Tis the season for gift-giving

By Sara Bozich  
FEATURE EDITOR

It's that time of year again. I had been doing so well financially and now I am close to broke again. But this time it was all spent on Christmas presents, and I do enjoy giving. I always feel some need to get practically everyone I've ever met some kind of Christmas gift-unfortunately budget usually prevents me, and I have to sit back and reorganize who's getting what.

There was a *Friends* episode once where Joey was working on one of those televised fundraisers on PBS and Phoebe yelled at him for using the charity event in hopes of furthering his acting career. But Joey argued that there is no such thing as an unselfish good deed.

Good deeds make you feel good, ease guilt, or help you get something else that you want, as in Joey Tribbiani's case. Fortunately, they also aid in others' happiness.

Part of my desire to get something for everyone is that I have this unexplainable need to be like, the nicest girl. Another part is the season. Very rarely do we get to share with our friends and family how important they are in our lives. Friends, especially, need to know because often we are so engrossed in our busy and hectic everyday lives that at times we may not even notice who our true friends are. And maybe they don't recognize who they are to us, either.

At this point in our lives, family may already get special attention because of how infrequently we see them. Plus, one could never forget to shop for mom-even on a low budget.

And that's why I'm scrimping to get my friends on the third floor a copy of *Gladiator* on DVD and for those I can't afford gifts for, I'll bake homemade peanut butter cookies made from scratch. I promise.

It's definitely a selfish thing for me to get these gifts. It makes me feel like I matter in my friends' lives. Sometimes I surprise them and that feels good as well. And yet somehow, at the same time, I never feel what I give is enough. I wish I could buy my mom the world but it'll be years until I can afford the things she really deserves. The same goes for others. But the saying, "it's the thought that counts" is truly accurate. Sometimes even the smallest gifts can say a lot. Happy Holiday to you and yours!



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# Ceramic artist visits campus, enlightens art students

By Jon McKay  
STAFF WRITER

World-renowned ceramic artist Paul Soldner visited campus from Nov. 12-Nov. 18, and the art students could not have been happier. Soldner, who visits a few times each year to see his friend, Art professor Kathy Koop, gave demonstrations and helped students with ceramic projects.

Known as "the father of American raku," Soldner owns a ranch in Aspen, Colorado that is also a teaching facility where his students learn the art of raku, a Japanese firing technique of ceramics. He has an honorary doctorate in Fine Arts from Westminster, and owns a ceramics equipment company.

Soldner also is responsible for the salt and raku kilns on campus.

Art students appreciated Soldner's presence. "Having such a prestigious ceramics artist giving demonstrations has helped us to experience different techniques and styles of pottery," said Sarah Lohr, a junior Art major. "He's been great."

Senior Art minor Travis Gatesman agreed. "Since we don't know a lot about salt-firing, it's nice to have someone here with so much experience," he said. "He's a man who inspires us in many ways."

Chris Bauer, a senior Art major, echoed their enthusiasm. "As an Art major, it's an honor and privilege to have him here and learn from him." Soldner braved freezing temperatures

and a stiff breeze to help Gatesman and Bauer with their projects in the kiln during the week.

Although Koop is grateful to have Soldner visit as a friend, she too knows how valuable his knowledge is to the students. "When the students see his work before he arrives, they are always impressed. But when he gets here, they find him to be very approachable and easy-going," Koop said. "Once they realize that, they really learn from his passion and knowledge."

That passion is evident when Soldner discusses sculpting ceramics. "I love the complexity of it," he said. "There's so much involved in it, chemistry, physics, aesthetics, coordination. It's not easy. That complexity frustrates a lot of people but that's what keeps me going."

# Divisions of night sky create mysterious astrological signs

By Miranda Neill  
STAFF WRITER

Most people have picked up the local newspaper or read their daily horoscope online to see what the future holds, but how many actually know the history of astrology and those strange signs of the zodiac? Astrology has been around almost as long as man has. It is unquestionably the oldest known science.

"A prevailing mindset toward astrology assumes that it is somehow similar to other psychic disciplines, and it ends up being placed in the same category as tarot reading, prophecy, and talking to the dead," astrology expert Jon Stevens said. "The truth is astrology is quite different from all these disciplines, among the psychic sciences, it is in a class by itself."

It is primarily concerned with all the bodies in our solar system including the planets,

the moon and the sun. The universe is divided around a certain point into twelve equal sections 30 degrees apart, our zodiac signs. Each sign may give a different meaning providing which section a planet or planets may fall in the zodiac system. For instance, when the constellation Aries was predominant in the sky, that was how our ancestors knew it was time for planting crops, making a new beginning or settling a score with an enemy.

Man's only reference to time was what he saw in the night sky. It indicated the right times for planting and hunting. Our early forefathers also realized that with the changing of the planets such as Mars, Venus, Jupiter and Saturn, there were also changes in peoples' lives. It's easy for people to see how the moon affects us with its pull on the tides or the heightening of our emotions during its fullest phase. The sun provides the same reaction as the cause of weather changes with the seasons. One of the earliest contributors to the

formation of the chart system was Rameses II, around 1250 B.C. He founded the signs Aries, Libra, Cancer and Capricorn. Each of these represented the beginning of a season. Later on the remaining eight were named. Many of the signs were named by various Greek and Roman legends.

After talking to many students and professors on campus, they had many conflicting quotes on this issue.

"I don't read horoscopes daily, but if I do, I might realize that what they said came true for the day, but I don't necessarily believe in them," freshman Scorpio Niels Jorgensen said.

"I am experienced with telling them myself," senior Pisces Collins Fobanjong said. "Here are a few that I have. Aries, you're going to die. Taurus, you're going to die. Gemini, you're going to die twice."

Senior Capricorn Bryan Hooks said, "I feel that one's fate is determined by their mind

and their own two feet while under supervision by a divine creator. Horoscopes are so general and inclusive that they tend to fit in with aspects of everyone's daily life."

"Being on the cusp of two signs, I have always found the zodiac readings to be problematical," Scorpio/Libra language professor and Libra Ann Murphy said.

There are many opinions about this issue. No one knows how valid astrology is. According to astrology.com, the Age of Aquarius is now upon us! This means technology is progressing forward, society's attitudes and values are changing and perhaps will slant more toward the radical. Astrology will become more accepted, even part of a mainstream thought. So if you live by your horoscope day by day or just happen to stumble over it weekly in the *Holcad*, enjoy and have fun!

# Peace Program holds first teach-in on Israeli/Palestinian conflict

By Darcie Yobp  
STAFF WRITER

Providing attendees with a comprehensive look at and an active discussion about the continuing conflict between Israelis and Palestinians in the Middle East, the Peace Program's first teach-in held Nov. 15, seemed altogether successful and left many desiring further events on such issues.

Head of the Peace Studies Program David Twining served as moderator. The teach in began with informal informational presentations by Dr. Verena Botzenhart-Viehe, Dr. Andrea Grove, Dr. James Rhoads, Dr. Edward Cohen, Dr. Bryan Rennie, and Dr. Kang-Yup Na about the historical, religious, economical, and political significance of the conflict.

While the Arab Empire conquered Jerusalem in 637, Twining said the roots of the problem stretch back "at least 4,000 years." The direct conflict, as explained by Botzenhart-Viehe and Grove, began in the 1940s after travesties against the Jews in WWII led the United Nations to work to reinstate a homeland for the Jewish people. This Israeli homeland, however, was taken by "hacking up" the Palestinian area (located on the eastern shore of the Mediterranean Sea

between the nations of Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, and Egypt) and forcing its Arab inhabitants to make room for the Jews.

What followed was a series of four wars in which the Israelis invaded increasingly more Arab land, until in 1978 when the Camp David Accord supposedly breached peaceful negotiations between the two, and later in 1993 when in the Oslo agreement Israel resigned to grant the Palestinians self-rule.

The conflict, however, never truly stopped and vengeance continues to fuel both sides of the battle. The Palestinian Arabs, with little political, economic and military resources, continue to lose and strike back desperately for the right to the affluence and sovereignty which the Jews have acquired, many times with nothing more than literal stone throwing. Meanwhile the Israelis, with significant political, economic and military presence, fight to maintain control and security of their homeland.

Rhoads and Cohen looked at the ways in which politics have played parts in the battle, as world powers (mainly the U. S.) used their own agendas and alliances to shape the outcomes of negotiations and as both the Arabs and the Israelis suffer from division and lack clear leadership.

Na redefined the issue, though, as one

faced by all humans in the "condition of co-existence."

"This is a human problem," Na said, "not a Jew/Arab problem."

Meanwhile, Rennie tackled the religious barriers to peace for these peoples. Both Israelis and Palestinians claim the land as theirs because of divine right. So the conflict for both is a 'holy' war in the service of their religion that will cease only when both can find justice. He went on to claim that this justice is the key, for both religions are capable of peaceful co-habitation so long as they are allowed the freedom to practice their faiths.

As the professors brought different insights to the discussion, all seemed to agree that this conflict cannot be resolved through further war, but only through peace and genuine negotiations for justice.

"The only future we have is through working it out," Grove said. "Vengeance has been the only way and it's not working...now we need to be learning different lessons and cooperate toward peace."

"They [Jews and Arabs] have to start again figuring out how to get themselves out of this quagmire," Cohen said. "They have to get tired of fighting."

Twining said, "We need to know the history and then forget about it and move on."

Questions from the audience also led to discussion about such topics as the U. S. perception of terrorists and the different approaches to the conflict that the then president-elects might have.

Students said they were glad they attended the teach in.

Senior sociology major and peace studies minor Mary Ellen Busey said she was previously "a little ashamed" of her lack of knowledge on the topic and was relieved to feel she could "now carry on an intelligent conversation about the matter."

She enthusiastically added, "Why can't we have a Peace Studies major?"

Senior computer science major Nate Sizemore said he enjoyed himself and thought it "excellent of the school to encourage this kind of dialogue...to make us aware of these matters and challenge us to think and discuss them with both teachers and students."

Because of good turnout and positive feedback (perhaps partially contributed to the hummus and cheese provided as refreshments,) Twining said the Peace Program is planning to hold future teach ins on other conflicts and hopes to attract even more participation.

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# OPINION

## Rant and Rave

"Do professors realize that students have other classes and, therefore, other work to do, or do professors believe that their class is the only class?"

"Why does Russell Hall get Showtime and the other dorms don't?"

"There should be a copy machine in the TUB."

"Maybe the library should try putting the same due dates in the back of the books as they are putting into the computer if they expect them to be back on a certain day."

"Do you think my mom will be mad if I buy her cooking lessons for Christmas?"

"I hate when professors assign assignments that there is no information about and they know it or they give you websites and you have to pay for it."

"People don't complain about noise in the TUB. It is not noise that bothers us, its ignorance and lack of courtesy."

"Its rude when people rip down posters."

"Papers shouldn't be due on Reading Day. Its supposed to be a day to relax."

## Our View: The Saga of Bambi

It all started when we were little, watching Disney's depiction of one of the world's most natural acts -- HUNTING. We didn't see it as a means to get food to feed one's family, we saw it as a cruel act that left Bambi motherless, sad and alone. Thus continued the never-ending debate between those who hunt and those who don't.

Those who hunt will argue many valid points. They are hunting for food. They are hunting to help keep down the deer population. Their hunting decreases the amount of deer-car collisions.

But mainly, they are just hunting for sport. And this is what those who hate hunting, hate most.

Killing for sport seems more barbaric than killing for food. Those who do it will argue that it is a natural instinct, something that has been happening since Adam and Eve got thrown out of the Garden of Eden, but what kind of sport involves finding a helpless animal, pulling the trigger and watching it die?

It could be suggested that using a bow and arrow becomes a compromise to this dilemma. It gives the deer a chance to survive while increasing the challenge for the hunter. This may not be a solution that will work for everyone, however. Plus, the animal rights activists

will once again scream that the deer will not die as fast, thus drawing out the entire killing process.

So, let's work with them for a while and picture what the world would look like if hunting for deer were illegal. You get up in the morning, look out the window and see a herd of deer in your backyard. You battle past them to get to your car then procede to dodge them all the way to work. You have no grass in your

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backyard and there are no branches lower than six feet above the ground. Soon carcasses of deer will litter the earth as they die of starvation.

Now let's look at the other side. Hunters are limited to the number of deer they are allowed to get each season. There is no possibility of deer becoming extinct. While hunters herd out to the forrests the first day of

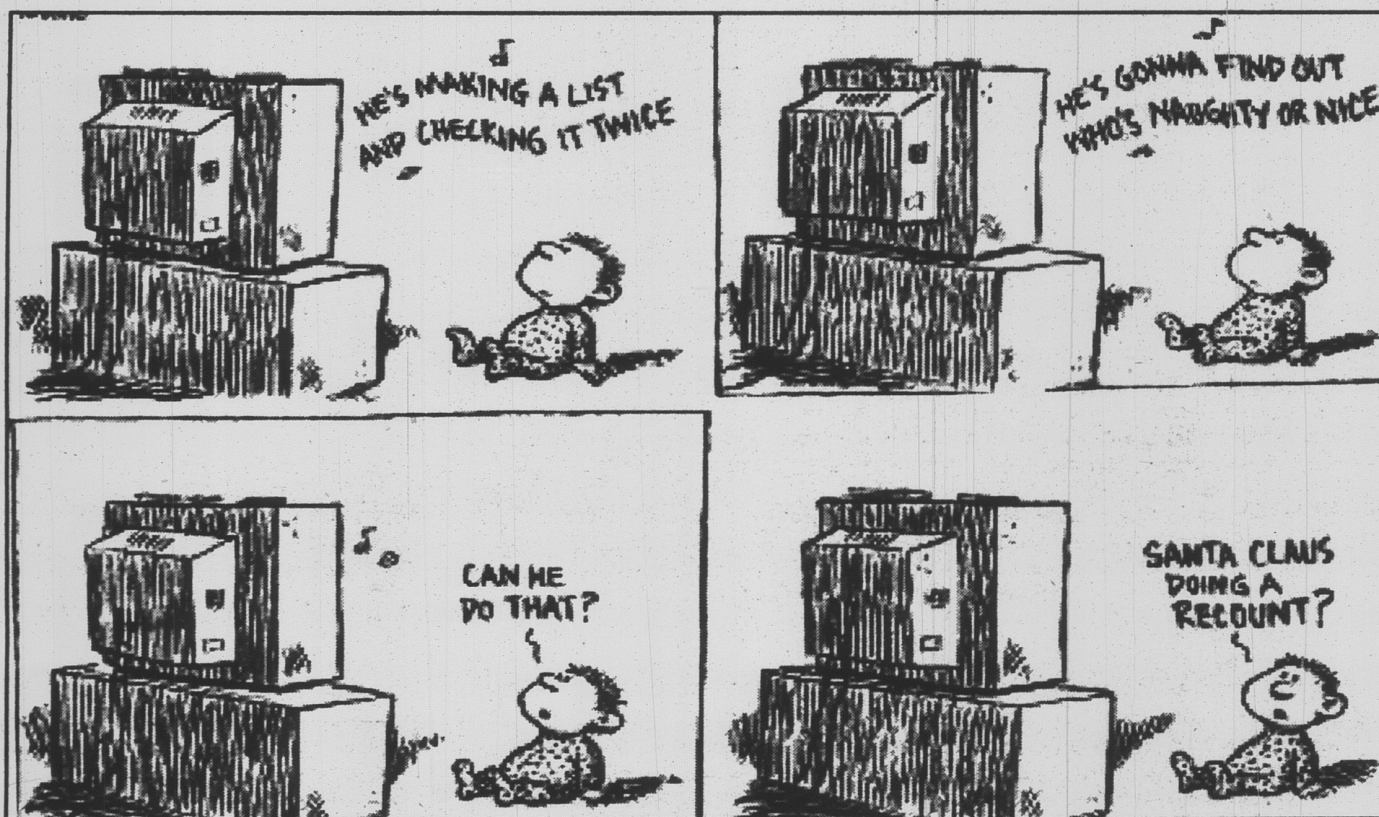
hunting season, they are not allowed to massacre them as our forefathers once did to the buffalo.

Once again the coin will flip and it will be argued that the deer is wasted just like the buffalo were when the "white man" obliterated them on their trip west (think of the scene in *Dances with Wolves* where the Indians come across an entire prairie of rotting buffalo meat after they were killed and only their furs were taken). While some people hunt for food and some hunt for fur, others hunt for antler trophies to hang on the wall.

Are they making the most of the animal they have killed? Maybe. Maybe not. If a deer is killed by a car, does anything good come of its dead body lying by the side of the road as it decomposes? No. If the hunter had shot it in the forrest, he would have taken it home to eat, made good use of its fur and had the antlers left over for a trophy as well as saved your car from hundreds of dollars worth of damage.

So let's review. Save the deer = no grass or similar green growth. Kill some deer = population control, good food and less car damage.

Next time you see a hunter don't criticize him, thank him for a job well done.



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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Recently several members of the Westminster College Community have written that they, as Christians, oppose homosexual behavior, but are not homophobic. I believe what they say. But it should be pointed out that many Christian scholars and believers (I included) interpret the Biblical passages they cite differently. However, this is not the major point of my letter.

Today we know that no one chooses his/her sexual orientation, and an increasingly large amount of evidence shows that one's sexual orientation has a major biological determinant to it. To the surprise of many people, the human embryo is known to be ambisexual, possessing structures that can develop as male or as female, depending on the Sry genes and the hormonal environment of the embryo following gonadal differentiation. The fetal brain, like other parts of the body, e.g. the genitals, muscles, and vocal cords, has receptors for sex hormones and responds accordingly. Many fascinating experiments with animals (and some observations in humans) illustrate that the fetal brain can be "masculinized" or "feminized" to varying degrees as a result of androgen and estrogen administration.

It is not uncommon for babies to be born with ambiguous genitalia, and the physicians and parents don't even know what sex the child is: they are intersexes (pseudo-hermaphrodites). Furthermore, at least 1 in 200 humans is neither XX or XY, but XO, XXX, XYY, XXY, etc. Some XY individuals even develop as women because they lack the receptors to use their male hormones.

Because we so often don't know the biological basis for one's sexual development and orientation, we should be less judgmental about a person's sexual orientation. Science has helped us to know that the earth isn't flat, that the sun doesn't revolve around the earth, and that the earth isn't the center of the universe, although these were the beliefs of those who wrote the Bible. Science, particularly biology, can also enlighten us with regards to human sexual development and orientation.

Sincerely,

Keen Compher,  
Professor of Biology and  
Faculty Advisor to Allies

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response with paying for use of the computer lab printers. Funny that I am finding things we could improve with the computer system rather than just putting another financial burden on the students for use of the computer printer. I made a list of it and if I am able to access my e-mail today I will send you it, but the server may be down. I also saved it to my N drive, oh wait my N drive has disappeared. Ok, there is a sarcastic tone, but truth behind it. Now, do I need to get the point of my letter across by including the line "We pay almost 22,000 dollars a year blah blah and now I have to pay five cents for every piece of paper I use in the computer lab?" No matter how cliché, it's a real argument. If I thought it was for environmental purposes maybe my cynical attitude would change. And if the argument being made was for the sole purpose that students abuse the lab, I think there could be some other way to keep tabs or some restrictions. But when I am obligated by some classes to print out things or even now working on my capstone/honors project, I feel the school should supply me with use of a printer free of charge. With that in mind, I am contemplating 3 questions: Can we improve some basic things before we start these new and cost effective measures with the computer system? Does tuition go down because of this new charge to the students? And finally, may I use the line "I didn't have enough money to print out my paper so may I have an extension until I get paid?"

Sincerely,

Melissa Cooper

Dear Editor,

I am responding to a Joseph M. Hopkins's letter of Nov. 10 regarding author Leslea Newman's visit to campus. At the end of his letter, Hopkins suggests that he would welcome "a lecture by a non-homophobic, but anti-homosexual lifestyle speaker." There's an assumption underlying that suggestion; Hopkins implies that Newman spoke as a pro-homosexual, an advocate for a lesbian lifestyle.

I heard Newman speak. She spoke as an author-describing the reception of her controversial book, *Heather Has Two Mommies*. She set that controversy in the context of current hate crimes, like the murder of Mathew Sheperd. She spoke as a person-an advocate of understanding, not hate.

The assumption that gay speakers advocate gay lifestyles is an example of polarized thinking, a practice that delays understanding.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth A. Ford  
Professor of English and  
Member of Allies

Dear Editor,

I guess Dean of Student Affairs Neal Edman has answered the question with which I closed my letter in the Nov. 10 issue of the HOLCAD. I suggested that "in the interest of fairplay" a lecture be scheduled by "a non-homophobic but anti-homosexual lifestyle (he omitted this word in quoting me) speaker." Then I added the question, "Or is tolerance just a one-way street?" Whatever happened to dialogue? There is another side to carte blanche endorsement of "alternative lifestyles" and it not only deserves but needs to be heard. Intolerance of those with whom they disagree ill becomes those who plead tolerance on behalf of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered behavior in defiance of biblical teaching.

Sincerely,

Joseph M. Hopkins

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the article "To have a car" by Sara Bozich, which appeared in the November 10 issue of the Holcad. Sara, I really feel for you. I think that you are very deserving of your daddy's Jeep. I can't believe that your younger sister gets a car and you don't, that's so unfair! You have been good and everything, plus you asked nicely "Please. Pretty please?" I can see that you are a good driver, being that you were only in one wreck and it was a really bad intersection, seriously.

In fact, I think that daddy should give you his new Volvo. If I were you, I would just say to daddy: "Daddy, now that you live in a new gigantic house, I think that you should just sign over the Volvo to me." It's just that easy.

I don't have a car here either, but it doesn't bother me because there is so much to do here in the borough of New Wilmington. If I lived off campus, I could see how it would be hard to get groceries. Hey, what about the Wilmington Dawn? The Amish people seem to frequent it. It is sort of the "Amish Wal-Mart" or the "Wal-Mart of New Wilmington", if you will. Come on now, what more could you want?

Maybe an easy solution to your problem would be to buy a meal plan from the school, after all, I am sure you get the urge for some TUB food now and again. I know I do! Anyway, I hope that you get to become "one of those people" that is just given one. I think you have a pretty valid argument, I think you should go for it. Good luck.

Sincerely,

Bill Jester

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the letter from Dr. Joseph Hopkins regarding the speaker on homophobia, Leslea Newman. I was happy to have Dr. Hopkins repeat the definition of homophobia, i.e., "fear and hatred of lesbians and gay men" so that more people would be aware of it. I was at the lecture and didn't think that Newman had equated homophobia with dislike or disapproval of homosexuality. As I would have expected, Dr. Hopkins deplores homophobia, as do I. Where we differ, I expect, is in regard to the merits of having speakers who portray homosexuality in a positive light and are homosexual themselves. Leslea Newman fit both these categories. She also spent much of her talk deploring and reporting on homophobia, including the dedication of her talk to Matthew Shephard, a gay college student killed for his sexual orientation.

I would hope that we don't have many homophobes on campus. But I hear many negative comments about homosexuality. Some are fairly angry. I remember the very negative thoughts chalked on the sidewalk last year. I would like these people to hear about homosexuality from someone who holds this lifestyle. We know that only about 30% of people have had contact with someone they knew was homosexual. That means 70% are going on what they've been told about homosexuality. When I asked the students in my classes what they had learned about homosexuality while they were growing up, most said they had learned nothing or only negative things. That is why I think it is very important that people like Leslea Newman come to the campus. I think this is the information we haven't heard very much rather than the anti-homosexual position that Dr. Hopkins would like to have articulated.

Sincerely,

Phyllis Kitzerow

Dear Editor,

I am writing to you in response to both articles in last weeks Holcad concerning the computer problems and printer problems.

First, I am a senior this year and am still upset that the school that we pay over \$20,000 to attend wants to charge us for the printer paper we use next year. It would be cheaper to go to Walmart, buy paper and put it in the printer ourselves. Saying that it will increase the use of the R-drive is ridiculous. I have been here for four years and have never been required or even encouraged to use it. However, we are required to do research which usually needs to be printed off of the internet. Professors do not want work handed in on the computer, they want hard copies that are easily read, do you blame them? If we had to put our work on the computer, what are the chances the computers would be working so that the professors could even access it. I have spent over \$600 in software since I came here to have a computer in my room connected to the network and it never seems to work. We are supposed to have a high-tech system at our school, but we would be better off with something less complicated that always works. We pay an info-tech fee every year, why doesn't that cover the cost of printer paper and why does our system always crash?

"Save the trees"???

They are a renewable resource and can be replanted and recycled. We are in college and have and papers that we need to do.

Sincerely,

Beth Lockschmidt

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Stamper &  
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BOUNCE  
reviews

## Beth Staley

It's one of those things that everyone is uncertain about—no, not the chicken in the TUB, but the movie *Bounce* (although the chicken in the TUB will also bounce). Here is some advice: approach the TUB chicken with caution; approach *Bounce* with an open mind.

If you think it's a chick flick, you're half-right (half-right-kind of like that chicken again). Although Gwyneth Paltrow (Abby), cast as a widow devastated by the plane crash that takes her husband's life, gives *Bounce* the sympathy and emotional overdose of a chick flick, Ben Affleck rescues the movie from chick flick fate—while rescuing his own character, Buddy Amarel from alcoholism and excess.

Affleck accomplishes Amarel almost flawlessly. Affleck has a natural confidence on screen, and in *Bounce*, he gets to experiment with his confidence and transform it into an authentic display of certainty, vulnerability, sensitivity and suavity. The complications of Affleck's role showcase his versatility as an actor.

Affleck's versatility takes off as his character Amarel builds his reputation as an advertising agent motivating the success of a particular airline agency. Amarel gives his free ticket to LA to a man who needs to get home to his family. However, this plane crashes and the man who dies in Affleck's place is Abby's husband. Amarel's cockiness is destroyed after the crash by confusion, guilt, and alcohol abuse. As he attempts to cure his alcoholism, he reads the AA manual and follows its suggestion to find the source of guilt. Thus, he decides to check on the family of the man he gave the airplane ticket to.

He doesn't expect to fall in love with Abby; he just wants to make sure that she can take care of herself and her family. Abby, struggling in the real estate business, is thankful to Amarel after he arranges a huge property deal with her.

Their professional relationship turns personal before Amarel can explain his reasons for helping her—his guilt about her husband's death. Eventually, their relationship must face reality and the impact of the plane crash that changed their lives. The results are painful.

Paltrow is stunning in *Bounce*. Her versatility matches Affleck's. She portrays ultimate grief, frustration and confusion along with the unassuming humor and grace that her character demands. Paltrow is convincing in her role because she is not afraid to look miserable and weary; her power is the ability to be beautiful when necessary and not beautiful when necessary.

The screenplay for *Bounce* would seem unbelievable, but Paltrow and Affleck are too good at making it real. Director Don Roos has created a fabulous duet between these two stars in *Bounce*. It's the end of November and time for a change; forget about the usual TUB chicken; forget about the usual thrillers, adventures and slap-stick plots—go see *Bounce*. It's a nourishing dose of comedy, drama and romance.

## Joseph Stamper

Okay ladies, let me set the record straight on behalf of all men who are insensitive, self-serving, arrogant and chauvinistic. If women were as sweet and caring as Gwyneth Paltrow's char-

acter in the movie *Bounce*, we would all be married by now.

Buddy Amarel, played by Ben Affleck, meets a young female professional in the Chicago O'Hare Airport while their planes are delayed. In order to enjoy the woman's company, Amarel trades plane tickets with a man who just wants to get back to his family. If it were real life, Amarel would get his "freak on" and fly home the next morning. But it's a movie, and in the movie the plain crashes. Amarel (Affleck), who already thinks that Vodka goes well with Frosted Flakes, goes into a downward spiral of alcoholism. If it were real life his liver would go in about twenty years and he'd have a good story to tell his children about how womanizing saved his life. But remember it's a movie, and Amarel is sent to rehab by the advertising firm where he is a junior

partner. He barely makes it out of rehab before temptation nearly gets the best of him. His newly hired assistant is also a recovering alcoholic and encourages him to stick to the AA program.

Everything is kosher until he comes to one of the steps in the program that calls for him to make amends with every one he's wronged. Still feeling guilty about trading tickets with the stranger, Amarel seeks to make amends with the man's wife (Gwyneth Paltrow) and kids. The situation gets sticky when Amarel falls for Paltrow's character.

## Stamper's Four-Corner Breakdown

Date Movie- 10

This movie is best enjoyed in pairs. It has what is widely known as the snuggle-effect. Warning: snuggle-effect may cause couples viewing the movie to periodically embrace and lock lips. Players Tip: True players know the power of a good chick flick, but be careful, when emotions run high the tables often turn and the player just might get played.

## Special FX- NA

Sorry, there are no guns, exploding cars, "claymation," or even burning plane wreckage. However, director Don Roos does deserve credit for good taste.

## Star Power- 8

Ben Affleck of hit films such as *Good Will Hunting*, *Shakespeare In Love* and *Armageddon* is definitely a box office draw. Affleck delivers genuine sincerity to the big screen in this flick. Gwyneth Paltrow as klutzy widow Abby Janello is very believable. Former "Roseanne" (TV series) star Johnny Galecki also gave a great performance as Amarel's assistant Seth.

## Plot- 9

An original spin on the age-old theme "boy meets girl" is always welcome. One must admit that the plot is slightly farfetched, but by the same token, how many films aren't? The dialog is a little dry at times, but the good performances compensate for what the script lacks in flare.

## Overall- Worth Seeing

*Bounce* is definitely the romantic sleeper of the season. I strongly recommend this film for couples looking for an evening out. And I am told; for maximum snuggle-effect, this movie is best served with Olive Garden.



# Zeta Tau Alpha



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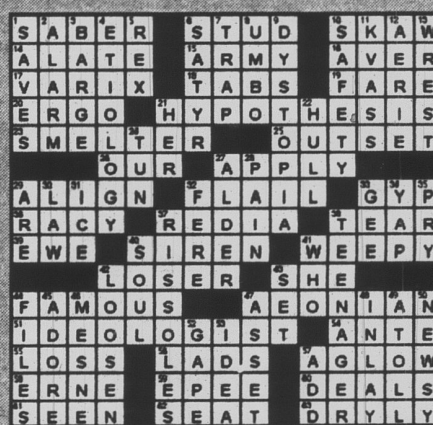
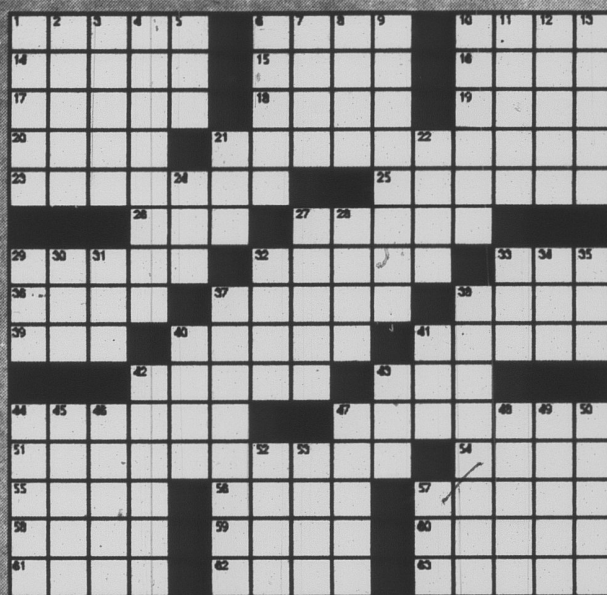


## Across

- 1- Flower
- 6- Preservative
- 10- Great quantity
- 14- Musical instrument
- 15- Having wings
- 16- Young salmon
- 17- Freely
- 18- Son of Jacob and Leah
- 19- Therefore
- 20- Abound
- 21- Containing oil
- 23- Tendency to err
- 25- Large quantity
- 26- Light meal
- 27- Notice of an intended marriage
- 29- Fragrant
- 32- Long stories
- 33- Roman goddess of plenty
- 36- Garden tools
- 37- Aromatic herb
- 38- Female horse
- 39- Yonder
- 40- Argument
- 41- Territory in NW Canada
- 42- Prescribed amounts
- 43- Container used for cooking
- 44- Birthplace of St. Francis
- 47- Exclave of Angola
- 51- Routine
- 54- Part of speech
- 55- Speed contest
- 56- British nobleman
- 57- Tied
- 58- Skills
- 59- Smack
- 60- Unit of weight
- 61- For fear that
- 62- Gull
- 63- Donkeys

## Down

- 1- Flood
- 2- Duck with soft down
- 3- More wan
- 4- Gives life to
- 5- To hit a ball high
- 6- Sudden rushing forth
- 7- On sheltered side
- 8- Molten rock
- 9- Triangular
- 10- Uses money
- 11- Christmas song
- 12- Dispute
- 13- Refuse
- 21- Wood sorrel
- 22- Charged particles
- 24- Open mesh fabric
- 27- Fundamental principle
- 28- Against
- 29- Bashful
- 30- Solicit
- 31- Even (poet.)
- 32- Having a sound mind
- 33- Tree of the genus Quercus
- 34- In favor of
- 35- Monetary unit of Japan
- 37- Profession
- 38- Rebellious
- 40- Flower
- 41- Teenage lout
- 42- Strip
- 43- Comrade
- 44- Pertaining to the ear
- 45- Trap
- 46- Cults
- 47- Guilt
- 48- Name
- 49- Dolt
- 50- Mountain range
- 52- Confer
- 53- German Mrs
- 57- Fur scarf



## HOROSCOPES

## ARIES

It can be difficult for you to relax or sleep. Put your time and efforts into pursuing your own goals. Luck will be with you, and love will be plentiful. You can make purchases that will improve your self-image and your appearance.

## TAURUS

Be careful what you say and what you do. Family togetherness will make up for any recent discord. You could tend to get infuriated if someone tries to pacify you instead of confronting the issues that are disturbing to you.

## GEMINI

Entertain the ones you love & please everyone with your generosity. Enjoy the fruits of your labors and plan to celebrate more often with those you love. Creative ideas will be difficult to get off the ground. Have patience.

## CANCER

Don't get too involved in the affairs of others. You may have to continue with a low profile; soon you'll be able to reveal the plans you've been working on. You may be overly sensitive and tired by week's end, if you have tried to do everything yourself.

## LEO

Romantic opportunities will surface if you take a vacation. Pleasure trips will turn out to be better medicine than you expected. Problems with relatives are likely if you try to push your opinions or attitudes too hard on them.

## VIRGO

Untrustworthy individuals may try to take advantage of you. You need to be treated with respect. Overspending on entertainment will result in financial limitations later on. Take it easy with expensive Christmas gifts.

## LIBRA

Be prepared to entertain & get caught up on the latest gossip. Your intelligence and style will impress others. Listen to what others have to say for a change. You may find that they have some valuable advice for you.

## SCORPIO

Don't get yourself backed into a corner; get all the facts first, before making your decision. Jealousy may stand in the way of a good time. Spending time with family will be insightful & fulfilling.

## SAGITTARIUS

The challenge for you is to choose wisely from your options. It is best for you to visit friends rather than entertain at your place. Leadership should be your goal.

## CAPRICORN

You should spend more time with the ones you love. Visit and see as many relatives as possible. If you allow your jealousy to cloud your good judgment, you'll make the wrong decisions.

## AQUARIUS

You are in a high-energy cycle. Your discipline will help you accomplish your goals. Your ability to find unique gifts will delight your family and friends.

## PISCES

Take some time out from your busy schedule to relax. If you don't feel like going out on the town, invite friends over to share interests. New relationships may develop as a result.

## Holiday gift solutions for the small budget

By Megan Elias  
STAFF WRITER

The Christmas season is swiftly approaching, and with it the hustle and bustle of gift buying. While the thought of shopping and holiday activities is exciting, it also can be very frustrating. As gift lists grow, bank accounts shrink.

The solution to this problem is creative and inexpensive holiday gifts and fun activities that won't leave the poor college student broke in the new year.

Shopping for that perfect gift is at the top of many peoples' "to do" list.

"I love buying and wrapping gifts for others," sophomore Annie Muir said.

To make gift buying easier, shoppers should first compile a list of who they need to buy gifts for. This way you don't overlook anyone. Next, you should set a limit as to how much you would like to spend on each person. You and your friends can even set limits together so that way everyone is spending approximately the same amount on each other. A gift exchange or splitting the cost of a gift between two or more people is also a way to save a few extra dollars.

Gifts don't have to be expensive to be nice. After all, it is the thought that counts. For example, if you don't have the money to buy

everyone on your Christmas list greeting cards you can send them electronic greetings for free. All you have to do is log on to a site like [Yahoogletings.com](http://Yahoogletings.com) or [bluemountaingreetings.com](http://bluemountaingreetings.com).

You could also let your creative side out and make your own card, picture frame, scrapbook, or just about anything else. You would need some construction paper, glue, scissors, sticker, glitter, and anything else you might want to decorate with. Have fun with whatever you do. The person you are making it for will appreciate the thought and time that you put into a homemade gift.

Pictures are a great gift. Break out the camera and "make some memories." Your friends and family will love having all the great times spent together on film. You could also give a disposable camera and photo album for memories to come.

If you have access to a CD burner or copier, you can make a compilation of someone's favorite songs. If you have a camcorder or access to an AV department you can make a "home movie" of pictures, songs, and clips of special times that have been shared.

Not only are Christmas cookies fun to eat, but they are also fun to make and to give as a gift. You can even make this a group project. Bake, with Christmas music playing in the background, of course, and then box or bag up

the cookies for yummy holiday treats.

The Christmas season is a great time to spend time with family members and friends. There are many things that you can do that are inexpensive and fun. After all, it doesn't really matter what you do, it's who you do it with.

Decorating for the holiday is a great activity that you can do at home as a family or even right here at school. Your hall can decorate and you can even have a contest for the cutest or most creative decorations.

It is also fun to go and see other people's decorations.

"I love Christmas lights and other holiday decorations," Muir said. "They really add to the spirit of the season."

Snow at Christmas time is the best. You can have snowball fights, make snow angels and go sled riding. You're never too old for a little fun. You can also enjoy skiing and ice skating.

Watching old and new Christmas movies is a lot of fun. Especially in front of a fire with hot chocolate and a group of friends. This season one of the most popular Christmas movies of all time has been remade and is in theaters. The Grinch is a movie for all ages.

It is evident that if you use a little creativity and a lot of love that your Christmas gifts and activities will be a huge success. Remember, "tis the season to be jolly."

## B94 to sponsor Jingle Ball 2000 in Pittsburgh

By Kendra McClymonds  
A&E EDITOR

B94FM, Pittsburgh's leading Top 40 radio station, is sponsoring Jingle Ball 2000, a concert featuring alternative bands Vertical

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Jingle Ball 2000 will be held Monday December 11th at the Hilton & Towers in downtown Pittsburgh and is sponsored in part by the Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership.

Tickets are on sale now at all Ticketmaster locations. Concertgoers can also purchase tickets online at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or charge by phone (412) 323-1919. For more information about this show, visit the B94 website at [www.b94.com](http://www.b94.com).



# CLASSIFIEDS

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**DRIVE THRU NATIVITY** performances will be held Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 2 and 3 from 6-9 p.m. at the United Methodist Church King's Chapel located at the corner of Old Pulaski Rd. and Wallace Drive in Neshannock Township. Take a drive back in time with 10 scenes with live actors and animals portraying the events surrounding the birth of Jesus. There is no charge for this community gift. For more information, call (724) 658-7569.

**THE ARGO** is hosting a photography contest. Submit photos that represent the campus and campus life to campus box 58 before the deadline of Dec. 4. Include your name, box number and photo extension with your photo. Color photos will be accepted, but will be printed in black and white.

**FACULTY FORUM** scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 6, at 11:30 a.m. in Patterson 131 will feature Dr. Mandy Medvin's presentation of "Using Computers with Young Children."

**THE CAMPUS CLUB** Children's Holiday Party is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 9, from 10-11:30 a.m. in the Walton-Mayne Union. All children associated with the college through their parents, grandparents or friends are invited to attend. Each child attending is asked to bring a stocking cap, a pair of gloves or socks for a child appropriated for the same age and sex. All gifts will be donated to a children's charity. For more information, please contact Marlene Birkhead before the deadline of Dec. 1 at (724) 946-2627 or e-mail MarBirk1@aol.com.

**THE GIVING TREE**, sponsored by the Chapel Staff Service Team, benefits the

Lawrence County Children and Youth Services as well as the City Rescue Mission. Simply select an ornament from the tree in Walton-Mayne Union Lounge and sign up. Then bring the wrapped gift with the ID sticker attached to either the Christmas Vespers service Dec. 10 or the Chapel Office by Dec. 11. For more information, contact the Chapel Office at ext. 7117.

**SCRAWL** is seeking submissions for the next edition before Monday, Dec. 11. All poems, stories, photos, or artwork should be sent to campus box 159.

**"LOOK AT LIFE 2001 CALENDERS,"** featuring portraits and essays about women who have survived breast cancer, are available in the Student Affairs Office. The profits from this sale of this \$10 calendar, sponsored by the Panhellenic Council and the Westminster College sorority women, will go

to cancer research. For more information, contact Amie Piccolino at ext. 7077.

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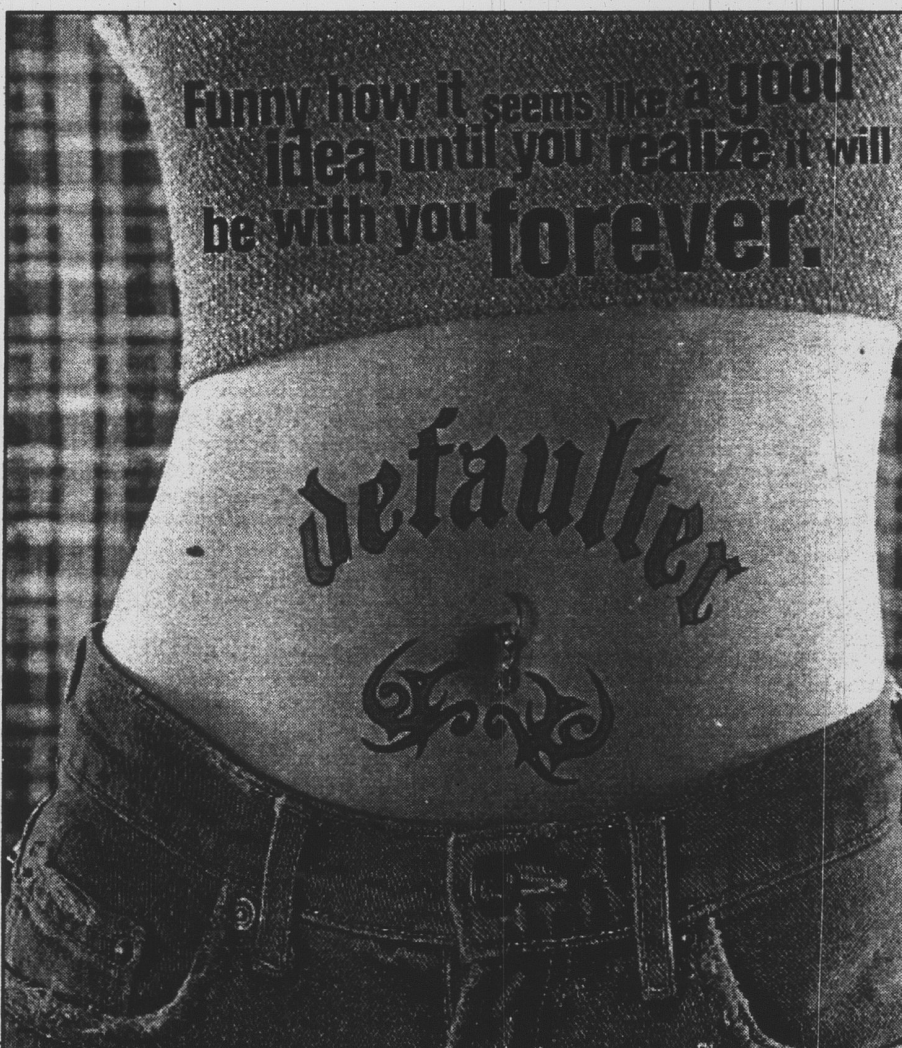
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# Calendar of Events

## FRIDAY 1

Kappa Delta Pi Jerb Miller Memorial Book Sale through December 2  
Swimming @ Akron Invitational  
All Day Honors Band Rehearsal - Orr Auditorium  
11:40 a.m. Chapel  
3:00 p.m. Modern Language Department's Christmas Party — TUB Lounge  
6:00 p.m. Murder Mystery Dinner Theater — Russell Hall Dining Room  
7:00 p.m. College Bowl Competition

## SATURDAY 2

Kappa Delta Pi Jerb Miller Memorial Book Sale Ends Today  
Swimming @ Akron Invitational  
2:00 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Geneva  
3:00 p.m. Men's Basketball vs. Tiffin (H)  
7:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel  
7:30 p.m. Honors Band Concert - Orr Auditorium  
8:00 p.m. CPC Presents: Tom Cotter (comedian) - Down Under  
Alpha Psi Omega Theater Production

## SUNDAY 3

3:00 p.m. Student Senior Recital: Stan Rothrock - Orr Auditorium  
6:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Meeting - Sig Ep House  
6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting - Theta Chi House  
6:15 p.m. IFC Meeting — Location TBA  
7:00 p.m. Vespers — Chapel  
8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230  
9:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under  
TBA Swimming @ Akron Invitational

## MONDAY 4

11:40 a.m. Chapel  
5:15 p.m. Seekers Music Rehearsal — Chapel  
5:30 p.m. Panhel Meeting - TUB A/B  
6:00 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112/113  
6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - TUB A/B  
6:30 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall

6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116  
7:00 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311/312

## TUESDAY 5

9:30 a.m. CCO Staff Meeting — Down Under  
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Vector Marketing Information Table — TUB Grille  
Noon Campus Club Christmas Luncheon - New Castle Country Club  
5:00 p.m. SAA Meeting - TUB A/B  
6:00 p.m. Circle K Meeting — PH 231  
6:00 p.m. Mortar Board Meeting — HSC 166  
7:00 p.m. WWNW 89-FM Christmas Light Up Night - Old Main Tower Room  
7:00 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Point Park (H)  
7:00 p.m. WWNW 89-FM Christmas Residence Hall Door Decorating Contest  
8:00 p.m. CPC Christmas Tree Decorating - TUB Lounge

## WEDNESDAY 6

10:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Panhel Sorority Recruitment Registration — TUB Grille  
11:30 a.m. Faculty Forum: Mandy Medvin, "Using Computers With Young Children" - PH 131  
7:00 p.m. SGA Meeting - CFH 116  
7:30 p.m. Men's Basketball @ Geneva  
8:00 p.m. CPC Meeting - TUB A/B  
8:00 p.m. Student Pre-Law Association Meeting - Location TBA  
8:30 p.m. SAVE Meeting - CFH 111  
9:30 p.m. Seekers Meeting - Down Under

## THURSDAY 7

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Panhel Sorority Recruitment Registration — TUB Grille  
2:00 p.m. Curriculum Development Committee Meeting — TUB A/B  
4:30 p.m. Student Publications Board Meeting — Old Main 308  
5:00 p.m. SWAT Christmas Party — TUB Lounge  
5:30 p.m. Phi Sigma Tau Meeting — PH 116  
6:00 p.m. Residence Advisors Continuous Training Meeting - Hillside Lobby  
6:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Training Session — Down Under  
7:00 p.m. Black Student Union Meeting — PH 231

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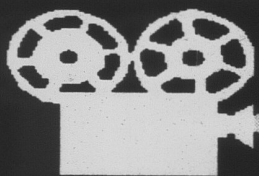
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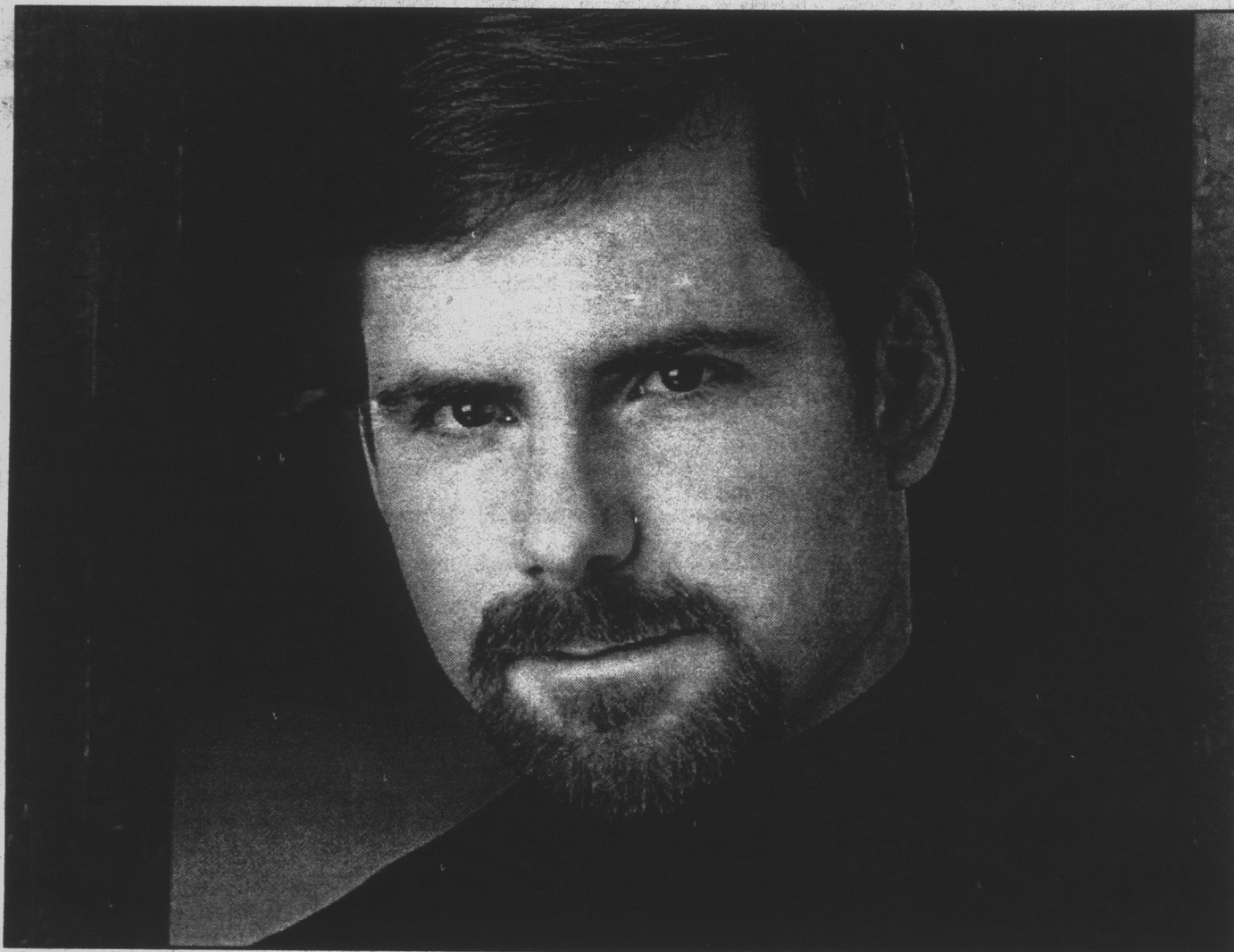
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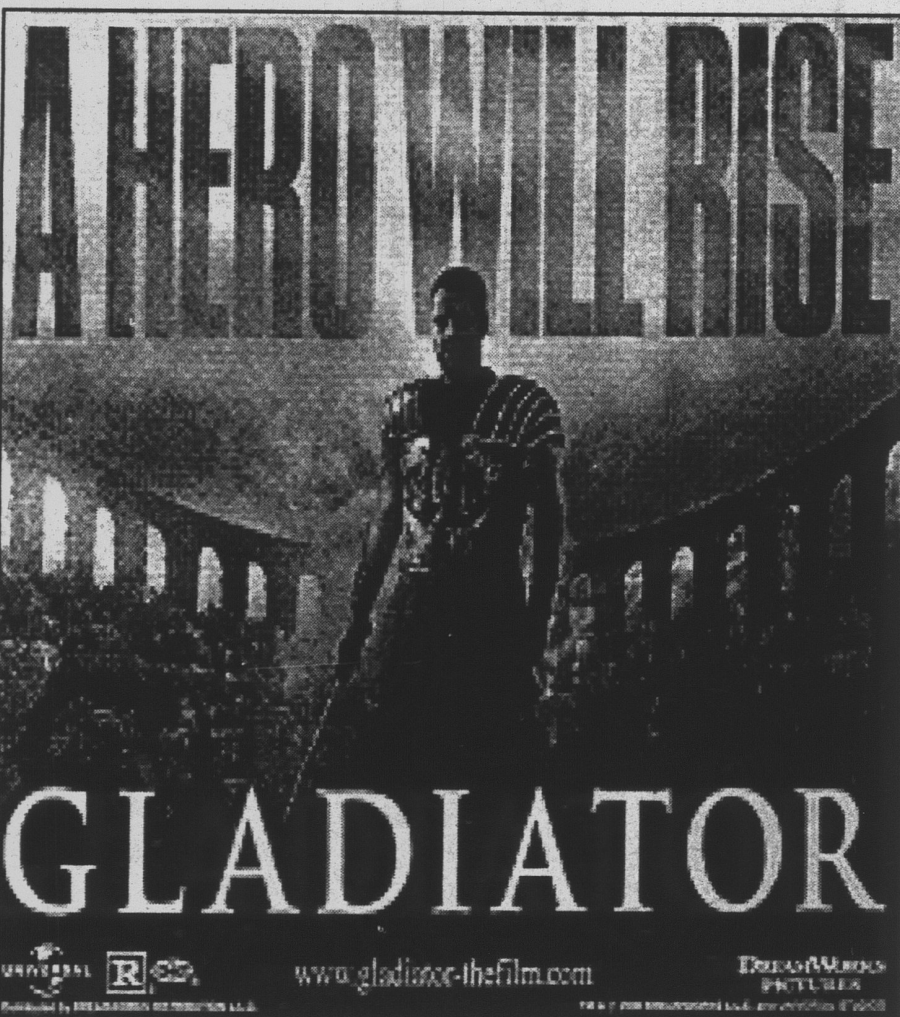
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## Vespers brings holiday spirit to campus



Photo by Meghan Duda

The campus gets ready to celebrate the Christmas season with vespers.

By Melissa Batulis  
STAFF WRITER

'Tis the season for traditions, and on Dec. 10, the college will hold one of its most popular Christmas rituals, the Christmas Vespers Service.

This year's program, entitled "Lessons and Carols," will be held in Orr Auditorium at 7 p.m. and is free and open to everyone.

Assistant Chaplain and one of the overseers of the event, Keturah Laney, is very excited about this year's program.

"The really cool thing about Christmas Vespers is that it brings in a lot of people from the community, but a lot of alumni come as well," Laney said. "I think this brings together both seasons. A lot of people celebrate Christmas, but a lot celebrate advent as well. I think Vespers brings together those two things."

Although the service does not begin until 7 p.m., Laney suggests that people try to arrive much earlier.

"People start lining up around 6:15, 6:30," she said. "We expect a packed house."

Students and their families are given a special invitation for the evening. Families are notified by mail of Christmas Vespers and are invited to attend a dinner prior to services. The banquet is held in the red-and-green adorned Russell Dining Hall and is limited to the first 220 reservations received. Sodexo-Mariott Services provide a buffet meal complete with turkey and all the fixings. Dinner is served at 4:15 p.m., giving families plenty of time to eat before the vespers service.

Numerous campus organizations and individuals contribute their time and effort to the event whether in the form of planning, performance, and of course decorating. The walk-

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## College's well-known "Doc" to retire

By Laura Stanley  
STAFF WRITER

We are on the verge of losing one of our most beloved, and certainly one of our most famous professors of the century. Dr. William J. McTaggart, professor of English, will retire at the end of the fall semester.

McTaggart is retiring due to a medical condition that impairs his short-term memory. "It's the only reason why I'm retiring," he said.

McTaggart has been heavily involved in campus activities during his time at Westminster, serving as faculty advisor to Sigma Nu, Alpha Sigma Phi, the Holcad and various other student organizations. McTaggart has also served as the public address announcer at all football and men's basketball games for the past fifteen years.

For six years, McTaggart was Chair of the

English Department and began discussions that led to the restructuring of the English curriculum. He has also taught a various number of courses including, but not limited to: Autobiography, Career Writing, The Beats, Byron, Shelley, Keats, Faulkner, introductory English classes and Freshman Writing.

"I love Freshman Writing. It's my favorite course of all the courses I teach," McTaggart said. "The students are still young and enthusiastic, and teaching someone how to write correctly is a great gift."

Some of McTaggart's writing students share in his love for the class.

"I wish Doc wasn't retiring so I could take him next semester, because Doc is one of the coolest teachers I've ever had in my life," freshman Niels Jorgensen said. "He makes class fun. I'm not a big fan of writing, but he makes it enjoyable."

"It's the best class I have," freshman Mike

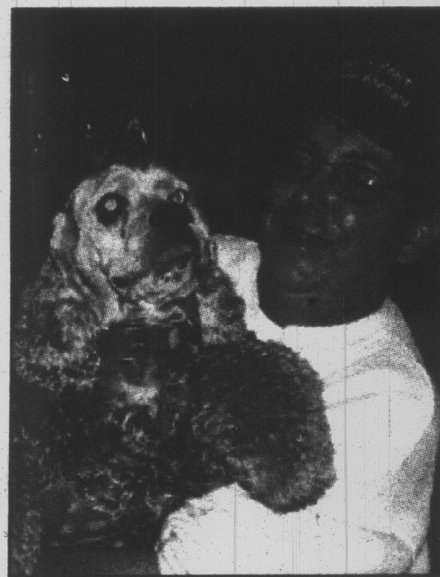
Hill said.

First year student Craig Rechichar agrees. "There's a lot of freedom and the book is pretty cheap," he said. "And Doc invites us to his house to watch South Park."

"Doc's the man," freshman Tom Freed said.

The English Department has already begun the enormous process of filling McTaggart's position. Dr. James A. Perkins, chair of the english department, says he has received 230 applications. With the help of Dr. Ross Wastvedt and Dr. David Swerdlow, Perkins hopes to narrow the choices down to 20, which will be presented to the department. From there, the department will again narrow the field down to 12. Drs. Perkins, Swerdlow and Wastvedt will travel to Washington D. C. to conduct interviews at the Modern Language Association Convention in

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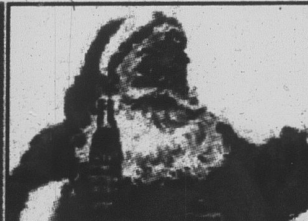
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# CAMPUS NEWS

## Legal battles over Napster could affect campus usage

By Laura Mours  
STAFF WRITER

Napster.com, the first MP3 download sight, has recently faced legal battles against record companies over copyright violations.

To solve their legal problems, Napster has been contemplating establishing a paid membership to the website service. The fee would then pay the record companies for copyright fees. Many loyal users are outraged and vow to never pay for MP3. Trying to accommodate the record industry and the demand of Internet users, Napster's responded to the outcry by announcing a new fee-paying service while keeping free material as well.

Shawn Fanning was an 18-year-old student at Northeastern University in Boston when he created Napster in 1998. Fanning left school before he could finish his first semester to pursue what he felt was a revolutionary idea. Today, his revolutionary idea has made him a celebrity, landing him on magazine covers and on the MTV music awards.

"I love music," Fanning said in an interview with CBS. "But, you know, the technology was probably the most powerful piece for me. Creating something...that lots of people

end up using, I mean, that...was definitely the major piece that excited me."

Students who share Fanning's love for music and technology have made Napster overwhelmingly popular on college campuses across the nation. Of all Internet use on college networks, 25-75 percent is accredited to Napster, which in turn is blamed for slowing systems down through its constant use.

Many colleges and universities around the country have been asked to ban this website. Letters have been sent warning the institutions of possible lawsuits that the website could bring to campuses.

"Long legal battles can be costly, and one school could be singled out to set legal precedent this year," said Robert Labatt, principal analyst for technology research firm Gartner Group's e-Business Services group. A report released by Gartner Group indicated that 34 percent of all colleges and universities in the nation had already banned the use of the

Internet service before the beginning of the 2000 fall semester.

According to Don Goodlin, Jr., Westminster's telecommunications network engineer, the college did receive a letter requesting the banishment of Napster through the campus network. But, as most students are aware, the service is still available on campus.

For the time being, this will remain true.

"Blocking Napster could cause a lot of problems. We have to look at the situation carefully before making a decision," Goodlin

said. The problem here, though, isn't the fear of copyright lawsuits which Goodlin feels wouldn't be an issue. It is the network slowdowns that Napster creates on campus.

Goodlin has been researching the problem over the past month and has found that Westminster falls into the lower percentile of 25 percent usage of Napster. However, he feels that this is only because of how slow Napster can be over the campus network.



## Biology cluster to visit Belize and Mayan ruins over break

By Rachel Miller  
STAFF WRITER

Twenty-five students taking a biology cluster will travel to Belize during Christmas break. They will begin their trip Dec. 30 and will return on Jan. 19. This cluster included a classroom portion and field course on the ecology, natural history, geology and the culture of Belize.

The course was clustered with history 172, Latin America to 1825 and includes 20 days of traveling during January of 2001.

The course will involve putting practical use to the ecological principles learned and then apply them to the ethical and cultural

dilemmas of life in a developing country.

In Central America, students will spend fifteen days traveling throughout Belize with a three-day visit to the Mayan ruins.

"We are excited to see all the organisms that we learned about in action," junior Danielle Perfetti said.

The class will be hike through rain forests, float down tropical rivers, explore the second largest coral reef in the world, visit Mayan ruins, and learn about the people and the culture of the country.

"I thought it was an awesome opportunity to take the month that we had off, and with the aid of the school get to see the world," junior Corrine Gaglia said.

## Fried Frescoes captures win at SGA College Bowl competition

By Anne Poland  
STAFF WRITER

On Dec. 1, 14 teams of students participated in the annual College Bowl. The College Bowl was held in the TUB Lounge at 7 p.m. with pizza and refreshments offered midway through competition.

The moderators of the evening were juniors Kylene Adams and Beau Hollowell.

"Last year only ten teams participated. This year my goal was to have five more," said Adams, chair of SGA's academics committee and coordinator of the event. "I am excited to say that we reached that goal. Maybe next year we can add another five teams."

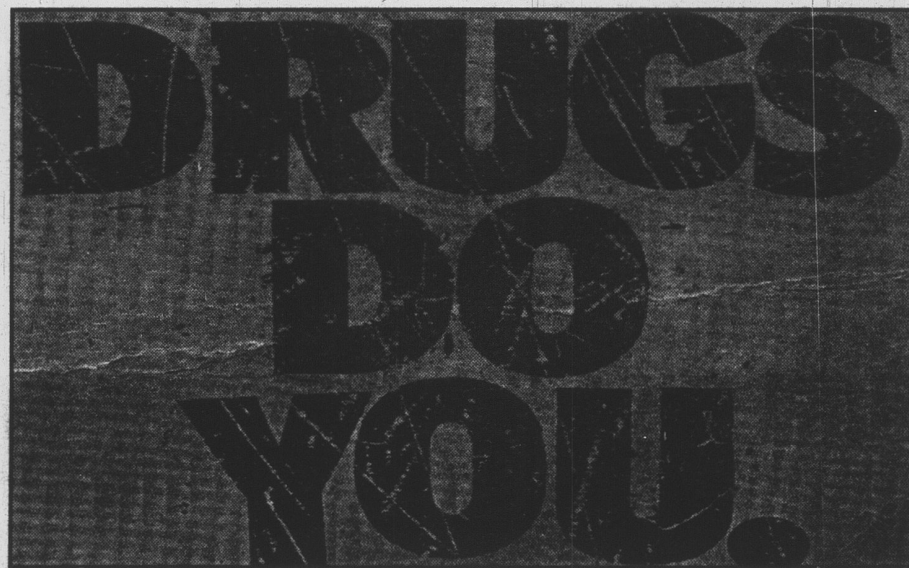
This SGA-sponsored event is an academic question and answer game played between two teams of three or four players each. Points are scored by correctly answering questions asked by a moderator. Time is kept and at the end of seven minutes the team that is ahead

moves on to the next round. Play continues until one team is declared the winner.

Friday's winners were the Fried Frescoes. This team consisted of senior Shawn Martina and juniors Scott Hauser, Brad Dell and Scott Hoffman. The second, third and fourth place teams were the Firey Frogs, Snapping Turtles and The Supermen, respectively. Each team will receive a cash award from the school for \$225 for first place, \$175 for second, \$125 for third and \$75 for fourth.

A national competition will take place during the weekend of February 16-18. Instead of the whole first place team moving on, players for the national team will be selected based on the amount of questions they answered throughout the night. So a member of a team who did not even place may be a member of the team going to nationals.

"With the help of my committee and the participants, the night went very smoothly," Adams said. "I think this year's College Bowl was a huge success."





# Different students battle finals stress with varying methods

By Sarah Lohr  
STAFF WRITER

Professors have been saying the f-word for weeks now. Finals. They're quickly approaching and students have begun their annual fall all-nighters and trips to the computer labs.

"Some people prepare well for finals," Babs Quincy, school councilor said, "[they have] good study skills, enjoy classes, and are naturally prepared."

For those students who aren't so prepared, there are general suggestions on how to study.

George Mason University's Self-Development Center had an easy recipe for effective exam strategies called SQ3R that summed up these general suggestions:

S-survey; scan through your chapters for a broad view.

Q-question; generate questions to focus your studying.

R-read; read through class notes, chapters and handouts.

R-recite or recall; memorize as much important information as you can.

R-review; review all your materials again to fix everything in your memory.

Other general tips from George Mason were to know what to expect, read often, be well rested, stay relaxed and start studying early.

Every student has his or her own way of preparing for finals and is ready with tips for other students.

Amanda Kopp, a junior neuroscience major, is taking five classes, three of which have final exams. When asked how she plans for finals, she said, "I'll review my notes and try to space it out as much as possible to avoid freaking out."

Kopp said she uses 3x5 flashcards to study and takes lots of breaks. She had some tips for other students for finals. "Don't procrastinate," she said, "and try to get as much sleep as possible the night before."

Jacque Duncan, a senior speech communications major, is also taking five classes and has four final tests.

Like Kopp, Duncan said she starts studying a week or two before finals. She makes outlines from her notes to study.

Duncan also had advice to students. "Start before finals," she said, "[and] study for one test and get it out of the way." She said she writes her outlines weeks before the final and

then reviews it a few days before the final.

Quincy said the biggest downfall of students during finals week is that they socialize too much.

Academics cause a need for social relaxation, Quincy said, but social time only causes more academic stress for the student. She suggests being social on study breaks as a reward.

"During final time, you have to prioritize your needs," Quincy said, "and put the social needs on the back burner."

Quincy said the normal impact of finals on students is feeling overwhelmed, pressured, stressed and fearful.

One suggestion to combat these feelings, Quincy said, is to get organized. "I think it really helps people to really get structured," Quincy suggested, "[and] organize your life." She suggests making a list and blocking-in activities and times. "Getting it down on paper gives you control," Quincy also added that it is gratifying to cross things off when you are done.

She also suggests getting sleep, eating right, including breaks and fun rewards.

If students need a place to get away, the Health Center offers a relaxation room.

The room is open during Health Center hours, 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., daily.

The room offers a massage chair and relaxation music or visitors can bring their own CDs.

There are also two extra chairs in the room in case students want to come with friends and take turns.

Quincy said it is beneficial to students. "[It provides] time alone to regroup," Quincy said, "[and] it's nice to have a place to go to escape."

Jess Torick, junior, used the room last semester before finals. "I would recommend it to other students," said Torick, "because it lets you go somewhere calm and quiet where you can just sit and collect your thoughts."

To use the room students have to stop at the desk in the health center and ask. There's no time limit, but students are encouraged to be courteous to others.

The Health Center will also be offering a stress management day workshop on reading day, December 12, from noon-4 p.m. This day will include staff-given massages, snacks and relaxation activities.

For answers to any questions you have on specific test type strategies try eHow.com or askjeeves.com.

## T3 line should quadruple college's Internet connection speed

Westminster College, already honored by a national publication as "one of the nation's most wired colleges," has announced plans to upgrade its Internet connection to quadruple the access speed for students, faculty, and staff.

In 1994-95, Westminster completed the installation of a telecommunications network to provide voice, data, and video capabilities to students, faculty, and staff. The network was equipped with a T1 Internet connection, one of the fastest connections available at that time. A T1 connection is 20 times faster than

a 56.6K modem connection.

The uses of technology have increased on campus as more faculty and students take advantage of technology to enhance teaching and learning. In response to the growing use, Westminster will work with Intermedia Communications to upgrade the College's Internet connection to a T3 line over the next three months.

The T3 connection is four times as fast as the present system and 80 times faster than a 56.6K modem connection, and the connection will be upgradeable with speeds approaching

30 times as fast as the current network.

"Our students and faculty have made great use of Westminster's technology to enhance teaching and learning, and they deserve to have a system that is responsive to their needs," according to Dr. John Deegan Jr., vice president for academic affairs and dean of the College.

"The integration of the Westminster Plan curriculum and the College's sophisticated technology creates an intimate learning environment which requires Westminster students

to focus on the acquisition of communication skills, collaborative learning techniques, and the creative problem solving and lifelong learning abilities that their future employers will expect from them," Deegan added.

Contact Paul Wallace, director of Westminster's information systems department, at (724) 946-7306 or email wallace@westminster.edu for technical details of the upgrade. Contact Dr. Deegan at (724) 946-7121 or email for more information about Westminster's innovative uses of technology to enhance teaching and learning.

## Internships prove to be beneficial for students and companies

By Daesha Falcione  
STAFF WRITER

Westminster is reputed for numerous things such as academics, graduation rate and athletics. However, no one seems to recognize how successful the internships are.

Over the past years, students have participated in many different types of internships ranging from KDKA-TV to *Ohio Magazine* to the American Junior Golf Association.

"Companies often approach us for interns," said Janet Waugaman, assistant director of the Career Center. "We receive great reports about our students when we get their evaluations." Some students go through the Career Center to find their internships, and others just discover them on their own.

Sophomore art major Alyson Karg decided to intern with Harry Giglio Productions.

"I worked with Harry Giglio Productions

since high school doing modeling for ads," she said. "I'm on the back cover of Pittsburgh Magazine. It's an underwater shot for Henne Jewelers taken in a private pool in the Sewickley Heights area."

Although Karg found this internship on her own, the Career Center helped her to arrange all of her experience to be counted as class credits.

"They even arranged for me to intern during Christmas break at the Carnegie Science Center in the marketing/graphic design area," Karg said. "Westminster gave me the overall knowledge that you need for a position like I want. It's not just one thing you need to learn, it's a combination of things."

Even her employer Harry Giglio had positive things to say.

"Alyson likes to learn," he said. "She's bright, receptive and energetic."

According to Waugaman, internships can help the students in more than one way. They

can give the student experience in the real world, meet a lot of people who will help with networking and also help to eliminate some doubts.

Senior sociology and criminal justice minor Mandarin Dague has been working for the Summit County Medical Examiner's Office for the past three years.

"I went in as a biology/pre-med major and after my first summer I decided that the investigative stuff was more interesting," Dague said.

Dague got to do different things such as visiting a crime lab, going to court when the medical examiner had to testify and even participating in autopsies.

"Watching an autopsy being done is completely different than actually having to perform one," Dague said.

Other projects she had to work on were helping with the safety programs, and helping the examiner compile data on smokers vs.

non-smokers.

"I enjoyed working there. I learned a lot and left with a positive experience," Dague said.

"Internships also help students become better students in the classroom," Waugaman said. After students have completed their internships they know what it takes to achieve the goals of the classroom.

For each internship, the student evaluates his or her experience and the employer evaluates the student. Almost all Westminster students have evaluated their experiences as positive ones and their employers have concurred. Carol Eberhart recently talked to Angela Llamas-Butler, CEO of Delta. Llamas-Butler was happy with the Westminster interns.

"Internships are a core part of our hiring strategy, and we appreciate that Westminster stresses the importance of internships as a part of the curriculum," Llamas-Butler said.

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ways on campus will be illuminated by rows of luminaries and Christmas trees will embellish the auditorium. The choral, concert, flute, and hand bell choirs are all scheduled to perform. The readings for the evening will span from the foretelling of Christ through the story of his birth.

Although the service is extravagant and a special Christmas tradition for the community, Laney hopes that those attending will not just focus on the show itself.

"I encourage people to enjoy it for all of its elements. Don't get caught up in the performance aspect," she cautioned. "It really is a worship service."

It claims good people.

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# HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

## Misconceptions regarding Kwanzaa celebration debunked

By Adam Corbett  
STAFF WRITER

Christians are not the only ones who include loved ones, a feast, and the exchange of presents during the Christmas season. Kwanzaa is a unique African American celebration with focus on the traditional African values of family, community responsibility, commerce and self-improvement.

"I feel that not just the black community should realize the importance of the principles of Kwanzaa. All people need to unite and live together in peace," freshman Damaris Wallace said.

Kwanzaa is neither political nor religious and despite some misconceptions, is not a substitute for Christmas. It is simply a time of reaffirming traditions and the pride of African-American people, their ancestors and culture. Kwanzaa, which means "first fruits of the harvest" in the African language Swahili, has gained tremendous acceptance. Since its founding in 1966 by Dr. Maulana Karenga, Kwanzaa has come to be observed by more than 15 million people worldwide, as reported by the New York Times. Celebrated from

December 26 to January 1, it is based on Nguzo Saba (seven guiding principles), one for each day of the observance:

Umoja - Unity stresses the importance of togetherness for the family and the community, which is reflected in the African saying, "I am We," or "I am because We are."

Kujichagulia - Self-Determination requires that we define our common interests and make decisions that are in the best interest of our family and community.

Ujima - Collective Work and Responsibility reminds us of our obligation to the past, present and future, and that we have a role to play in the community, society and world.

Ujamaa - Cooperative economics emphasizes our collective economic strength and encourages us to meet common needs through mutual support.

Nia - Purpose encourages us to look within ourselves and to set personal goals that are beneficial to the community.

Kuumba - Creativity makes use of our creative energies to build and maintain a strong and vibrant community.

Imani - Faith focuses on honoring the best

of our traditions, draws upon the best in ourselves, and helps us strive for a higher level of life for humankind, by affirming our self-worth and confidence in our ability to succeed and triumph in righteous struggle.

Kwanzaa was not created to give people an alternative to their own religion or religious holiday. And it is not an alternative to people's religion or faith but a common ground of African culture.

"Kwanzaa is not a reaction or substitute for anything. In fact, it offers a clear and self-conscious option, opportunity and chance to make a proactive choice, a self-affirming and positive choice as distinct from a reactive one," Karenga said.

This year the black student union does not have any on-campus plans for Kwanzaa. "Due to the fact that we are not here on campus during Kwanzaa, it is difficult to plan any on-campus activities.



AP File Photo

The Kwanzaa celebration is neither political nor religious.

Rather those of us that do celebrate the holiday will do so with our families," Joe Stamper, president of the black student union said.

## Uncover neighborhood light displays in surrounding area

By Mindy Falk  
STAFF WRITER

At first glance it may appear that area houses and businesses have forgotten to decorate their property in the spirit of the season. Yet, if you know where to look, you will find some very nice displays of Christmas decorations.

Looking for a good time in New Castle? Well, then here is your hit list of hot spots to visit. Neshannock Township and North Hill have some great light displays. Plank Road, just past Neshannock High School has several side roads that you can venture onto to view

lights.

If you continue towards New Castle on Mercer Road, you will run into Highland Avenue. Some streets that you may want to try will be Edgewood, Hazelcroft, Hillcrest, Englewood, Elizabeth and Glen-Moore.

The next time you venture out late at night to the New Castle Wal-Mart, be sure to take a drive to Brookshire Drive. Right behind the Eastwind, if you veer left you will come to an area of decorated houses.

"All of the houses try to outdo one another and it is really beautiful," Linda Hilton, who works in data entry at the Remick Admissions House, said.

Ellwood City is the next place to be. If you take Highway 60, merge onto Route 65 south, and then make a right turn onto Savannah Road, there will be a nice sub-division off to the left.

If you have a few extra dollars to spare, you can go to Cascade Park, just past the intersection for 60 and 422. There is a drive-through light display.

"I've been through there and it has a pretty nice light display," Admissions receptionist Denise Guthery said.

For those of you who want to make this an all-out effort and cross the border into Ohio,

you can find a beautiful place in Boardman. Fairway drive has a few blocks that are lit up and have many Christmas decorations in the residents' yards.

Every house tries to compete with the others. "There are carloads of people lined up down the street, it seems like you are in a winter wonderland," Admissions application processor Louisa Worthington said.

Kraynak's always has a walk-through Christmas display in their toy store that never fails to draw crowds. Also, when you are passing through Volant, you can look at all of the shops, which are decorated very nicely.

## Sharing a birthday with the New Year

By Pamela Stennis  
STAFF WRITER

The Westminster students who were born on New Year's Day say celebrating their birthday is a mixed bag of emotions, but it is fun.

Freshman Hillary Gustafson feels that being born on Jan. 1 is great because she turns a year older right when the ball is dropping in Times Square.

Gustafson celebrates her birthday with friends and family in a combined New Year's Day and birthday party. She loves the fact that she was born on the first day of the year, but does think it takes away from her birthday.

"Being a New Year's Day baby had its advantages and disadvantages, but I am proud to be born on that day," Gustafson said.

Juniors Kenneth Schulz and Howard Bish's sentiments are slightly different from Gustafson's.

Schulz likes the fact that people think "it's cool" that he was born on the first of the year.

He doesn't think that being born on a holiday takes away from his birthday because his

family celebrates New Year's Day more as his birthday than as a holiday.

Schulz celebrates his birthday by going out with his friends on New Year's Eve and having a birthday dinner the next day. They always have a big pork dinner that evening, eat birthday cake, and the opening of presents follows. His entire family comes over every year for this occasion.

"They say that everyone has 15 minutes of fame in their lives, well I guess since I was on the front page of the local paper because I was born on New Year's Day, I've already used my 15 minutes," Schulz said.

Bish feels pretty much the same as Schulz. He loves telling people that he was the first baby born in Washington County in 1980.

He doesn't think being born on a holiday takes away from his birthday because his family celebrates the beginning of the new year on New Year's Eve and his birthday on New Year's Day.

Bish's family and friends come over to his house each year for a big birthday dinner.

"I love being born on New Year's Day, I wouldn't have it any other way," he said.

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# Debate continues as to whether 2001 is the real millennium

By Linda M. Sestric  
STAFF WRITER

There has been much debate over when the new millennium really is. While some people believe that it has already occurred, others believe that it will not be the new millennium until Jan. 1, 2001.

Jan. 1, 2000 was said to be a unique date in the world's most widely used calendar.

Computer chaos was expected, although nothing was ever destroyed at the start of 2000. There was no serious damage done to the world when the clock struck midnight.

Until the sixth century A.D., years in the

Roman world were counted from the founding of the city of Rome, which took place in the year that we now call 754 B.C. The church authorities decided they should count time from the birth of Jesus instead.

A monk named Dionysius Exiguus calculated that Jesus was born in the year 753 in the Roman calendar. This then became the new starting point, which we now call 1 B.C.

While some people continue to believe that the year 2000 was the start of the new millennium, others believe that it will really come on Jan. 1, 2001.

"I think that 2001 is the real millennium," junior Nikki Voit said. "I heard something

about that before. (The year) 2000 was just a nice round number and good for publicity."

The year 2000 was a leap year. The new millennium and the new century start at zero hours UTC (known as GMT) on Jan. 1, 2001.

Because there is no year zero, the first year of the calendar ends at the end of the year named 1 A.D. By a similar argument, 100 years will only have elapsed at the end of the year 100 A.D.

Since 2000 A.D. is the two-thousandth year of the Christian calendar, it will be the last year of the second millennium. So the third millennium and the twenty-first century will begin at the same moment, particularly

zero hours UTC on Jan. 1st, 2001.

The U.S. Naval Observatory has pointed out that the sun will set and then rise in Antarctica, at longitude 135 degrees east on the headland between the Dibble Glacier and Victor Bay, at 15:08 UT on Jan. 1st, 2001. However, it will only have been below the horizon for less than half an hour that night.

Although many people believed that the new millennium and turn of the century happened in the year 2000, there is research that has been done to suggest otherwise. The third millennium will actually occur on Jan. 1st, 2001.

# Get into the Christmas spirit with books, movies and albums

By Laurel Miller  
STAFF WRITER

It's that time of year again and everyone is ready for some new Christmas cheer and stories.

The smell of logs on the fire, freshly fallen snow on the ground, lights illuminating the brisk winter nights, and Christmas shoppers are everywhere. What do you do to get in the Christmas spirit? For many it may be watching a favorite Christmas movie, listening to Christmas music, or even reading a Christmas story. People need something to put them in the holiday spirit.

This holiday season there appears to be two big recreations. One is the old classic by Dr. Seuss, called *The Grinch Who Stole Christmas*. This children's book has been

taken from its original form before, but this year Hollywood took this classic and turned it into a movie. The movie was released the week before Thanksgiving. The movie, like most recreations, differed from its original form in a few ways.

"I think that the movie was cute, but it was different from the original cartoon that I saw years ago," junior Nicole Quahliero said. Although the movie was done very well and seemed to put the audience in the Christmas spirit it had its drawbacks as well. It appeared to be difficult for young children to watch, due to the Grinch's actions and mannerisms. Actor Jim Carrey played the Grinch. He did an excellent job of portraying the wicked character determined to destroy Christmas. Carrey went through many hours of costume

and make-up construction to make him look like the stingy character.

There are also several made-for-TV movies coming out over the next couple of weeks before Christmas. On VH-1, Vanessa Williams will star in a new rendition of the movie *A Christmas Carol* airing Dec. 14. Williams will play the role of Ebenezer Scrooge. Although men have traditionally played this role, directors have changed the lead from a male to a female lead.

Movies aren't the only new releases this year to help the public's Christmas mood. Every year singers make their own Christmas albums, which usually contains traditional Christmas songs and their own Christmas songs. This year's big seller seems to be N\*SYNC. The album costs between \$14-

\$20. Other singers and bands have put out their new Christmas album as well.

If you are more interested in reading than watching a movie or buying a CD, there are also books on the market pertaining to Christmas. Despite the death of creator Charles Schultz earlier this year, the comic strip *Peanuts* is featured in a book titled *The Joy of a Peanuts Christmas 50 Years of Holiday Comics*. This book is a free gift when you use three Hallmark coupons.

Those who helped in creating the movies, albums, and books have gone to a great deal of work to bring Christmas cheer into homes all around the world. So whether you enjoy movies, songs, or books there are quite a few options for you to choose from to help make your holidays bright and full of cheer.

# Santa Claus is not the only Christmas spirit in the world

By Shannon Harris  
STAFF WRITER

Millions of people around the world celebrate Christmas, to honor the birth of Jesus Christ. Myths and traditions about the holiday have been practiced since the late 300's.

In the United States and Canada, Christians celebrate Christmas Dec. 25. Traditionally families attend religious services, decorate their homes with Christmas trees and exchange gifts. The legend of Santa Clause has become a tradition in many North American homes.

Many North American customs originated in the British Isles. Hanging mistletoe and stockings, drinking wassail, and placing candles in windows are traditions that have been passed down many years ago from Britain, Ireland, and Scotland. In Britain, according to tradition placing a sprig of mistletoe above a doorway allows a person to kiss anyone standing under it. On Christmas Eve, children hang stockings for Father Christmas, the British version of Santa Clause, to fill with presents. During the days before Christmas, families and groups go from house to house singing Christmas carols. Many years ago, carolers were thanked by receiving a drink from the wassail bowl. The word wassail, comes from Was haile, an Old Saxon greeting meaning, "be healthy." The Irish place a candle in their windows as a welcome sign to travelers, on Christmas Eve.

French children put their shoes in front of the fireplace, for Pere Noel, Father Christmas, to fill with presents. In France, many families decorate their homes with Nativity scenes. Clay figurines, called santons, ("little saints,")

portray the story of Jesus' birth.

On Dec. 6, German children receive sweets from Saint Nicholas. Saint Nicholas collects all of the children's Christmas lists for Christkindl, the Christ child. Christkindl then sends Weihnachtsmann, the Christmas man, to deliver the presents on Christmas Eve. In Old World Germany, the last decoration placed on the Christmas tree was always a pickle. The pickle was hidden deep in the branches. Tradition says, that the child who found it on Christmas day was blessed with good fortune for the next year, and given a special gift.

In Spain, Jan. 6 marks the day that the Magi visited the Christ child. This day is called Epiphany. On Jan. 5, Spanish children place their shoes near a window, because, according to legend, Wise Men arrive during the night and fill the children's shoes with small gifts.

Children in the Netherlands, Luxembourg, and Belgium put their shoes by the fireplace Dec. 5. They wait for Saint Nicholas to arrive on a boat from Spain and ride down the streets on a white horse, wearing a red robe. According to legend, Saint Nicholas is accompanied by his servant, Swarte Pete, (Black Pete.) Saint Nicholas then goes down the chimney of every house, to place presents in the shoes left by the children.

On Christmas Eve, in Italy, the family prays while the mother places a figure of the Bambino, the Christ child, in the presepio, the Nativity scene. Children receive gifts from La Befana, a kind old witch on the eve of Epiphany.

The Christmas Season begins in Sweden on St. Lucia day, Dec. 13th. On this day, the oldest daughter in the house dresses in white

and wears a wreath with seven candles on her head. She then serves the other family members breakfast in bed.

In Norway, at 5 p.m. on Christmas Eve, people all over the country ring church bells to ring in Christmas. This is called, ringe in Julden.

Families in Denmark decorate their Christmas trees with small paper cones filled with candy. Danish children are not permitted to see the tree until Christmas Eve.

For Christmas dinner, in Denmark, Norway, and Sweden, families eat rice pudding called julgrot. Julgrot has a single almond in it, and it is said that the family member to get the almond will have good luck throughout the New Year. In Scandinavian countries children believe that an elf brings them gifts from Santa Clause on Christmas Eve.

The nine days before Christmas in Latin America hold a special importance. These days are called posadas, which means inns or lodging. On each day Mexicans reenact Mary and Joseph's search for shelter on the first Christmas Eve. Children in most Latin American countries believe that the wise men leave presents for them on the eve of the Epiphany.

The celebration of Christmas is worldwide. However it is said: "Sheng Dan Kuai Le" in China, "Glaedelig Jul" in Denmark, "Hauskaa Jouluna" in Finland, "Joyeux Noel" in France, "Froehliche Weihnachten" in Germany and Australia, "Kala Christouenna" in Greece, "Kellemes Karasconyi Unnepeket" in Hungary, "Buno Natale" in Italy, "Meri Kurisumasu" in Japan, "Zalig Kerstfeest" in the Netherlands, "Gledelig Jul" in Norway, "Wesolych Swiat" in Poland,



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Coca-Cola's Santa Claus

"Boasfestas" in Portugal and Brazil, "S Rozhdestvom Kristovym" in Russia, "Feliz Navidad" in Spain and Mexico, and "God Jul" in Sweden. "Merry Christmas" has just as many meanings and traditions as how to say it.



# AROUND THE GLOBE

## REGIONAL

### Compositions by John Rutter highlight local chorale performance

The Shenango Valley Chorale, based in Sharon, will usher in the 2000 holiday season with performances in Mercer and Lawrence counties that feature several works by contemporary English composer, John Rutter, and as well as more traditional carols.

The 100-member choral group, in its 28th year, is under the director of Edgar S. Groves, former choral director at Hickory High School. Cynthia Brea Ward is accompanist.

Christmas concerts, with the theme, Carols Old But New, will be performed Dec. 8 in

New Wilmington and Dec. 10 in Sharon. Both will include musical accompaniment.

The Friday, Dec. 8, concert will be at 7:30 p.m. in New Wilmington Presbyterian Church, 299 S. Market St., New Wilmington.

The Sunday, Dec. 10 concert will be at 7:30 p.m. in First Presbyterian Church, 600 E. State St., Sharon.

Also, the Dec. 10 concert benefits the Sheetz Family Christmas program, which provides a holiday shopping spree for underprivileged children.

Selections for the first half of the concerts will include: A choral suite, "Carols Old But New," by Richard Warner; "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence," by Gustave Hoist; "O Rejoice Ye Christians Loudly," by Johann Sebastian Bach; "The Shepherds Farewell," by Hector Berlioz; and "I'll Be Home For Christmas," arranged by Peter Schmutte.

Six compositions by John Rutter, accompanied by a chamber orchestra, will comprise most of the second half of the concert.

The Rutter selections include: "Shepherd's

Pipe Carol," "Blow, Blow Thou Winter Wind," "Good Ale," "Angel's Carol," "Christmas Lullaby," and "We Wish You a Merry Christmas." The chorale will top off the musical Christmas card with "Silent Night," written by Franz Guber and arranged by Paul Sjolund.

Reserved tickets for the New Wilmington and Sharon concerts are: Adults, \$6; and children and students, \$4. Call (724) 981-9909 for tickets or purchase them at the door.

## Regional Briefs

### Leaders to discuss transit needs

Establishment of an authority to coordinate mass transit operations in a 10-county area will be discussed when regional planners and political leaders meet Jan. 9 and 10 at Nemacolin Woodlands in Fayette County.

Some members of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission said a multi-county transit agency could link all the county seats with the City of Pittsburgh. Such a move would spur both economic and technological development in southwestern Pennsylvania, they said.

"We hope to focus on the bigger picture of transit needs for our region," said Westmoreland County Commissioner Tom Bayla, who will chair the meeting.

SPC spokeswoman Beverly Pearson said the meeting "is about regional transit visioning." She said planners, political and business leaders will be asked to approve a study of the area's transit needs.

State Rep. Joseph Markosek, a Monroeville Democrat and member of the House Transportation Committee, said he planned to introduce legislation early next year to authorize a southwestern Pennsylvania regional study commission.

State Rep. Joseph Petrarca, a Vandergrift Democrat, said any talk of a regional transit system should include assurances that counties like Butler, Washington and Westmoreland get their share of reliable and affordable services.

State Rep. Daryl Metcalfe, a Cranberry Township Republican, said he hoped that private sector operators are considered in any regional transit scheme. "Big regional authorities can become a black hole for tax dollars," he said.

### Tax Relief Proposal Possibly Halted

Pittsburgh City Councilwoman Valerie McDonald on Monday urged council members to halt final approval of Mayor Tom Murphy's expanded tax relief proposal, which

she called "seriously flawed."

McDonald, the lone dissenter when City Council gave preliminary approval to the measure last week, argued at a news conference that the terms of the city's program should parallel whatever help Allegheny County extends to taxpayers.

McDonald also said the application process needs to be stricter to ensure that income eligibility requirements are enforced.

Under the current ordinance, taxpayers can have their property assessments frozen at 1993 levels if they are 50 and older, have owned and occupied a home in the city for at least 10 years and have a household income under \$25,000.

Council President Bob O'Connor and Councilman Alan Hertzberg said they would consider voting for a hold.

"I would be inclined to vote for recommitting the bill to see what Allegheny County enacted," Hertzberg said. "I want to see if theirs is a worthwhile program."

### Prisoners Receive Water Service

Running water was back late Monday afternoon at the Allegheny County Jail, with sufficient pressure to restore normal service for inmates' showers, sinks and toilets, county spokeswoman Margaret Philbin said.

Plumbers worked through most of the day to solve water pressure problems that developed Sunday, when inmates had to resort to drinking bottled water and using buckets of carted water to flush toilets.

Philbin said plumbers were uncertain what had caused the pressure irregularities.

### Literacy Council Accredited

The Greater Pittsburgh Literacy Council is the first adult literacy agency in the country to be accredited by the nation's foremost adult education organization.

Laubach Literacy Action, of Syracuse, N.Y., developed a set of quality standards to identify the best programs and practices of the country's top literacy agencies.

In September, Laubach representatives came to Pittsburgh to review the council's practices and interview staff, board members, volunteers and students.

"GPLC has a real culture of striving to improve," said Mark Cass, Laubach's program management coordinator, in a statement. "That's a real fit for the levels of excellence that we're trying to develop in literacy programs throughout the region and the country."

The Pittsburgh council's proficiencies will help determine the performance standard to measure other literacy organizations. The accreditation will act as a nationally recognized seal of approval, the release said.

### Local People Encouraged to Prepare for Winter

Pennsylvania Lt. Gov. Mark Schweiker, chairman of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Council, Monday urged Pennsylvanians to equip their homes and vehicles with winter storm kits - including safe emergency heating sources - to be prepared in the event of major snow and ice storms or severe cold.

Emergency management officials stress that traveling during winter storms should be avoided if possible. Motorists are urged to remain off the highways at hotels or restaurants to allow snowplows to remove snow from highways.

A checklist of winter-safety tips:

Store drinking water, first-aid kit, canned food, manual can opener, radio, flashlight and extra batteries.

Keep vehicles fueled and in good repair, with a winter emergency kit in each.

Know safe routes from home, work and school.

Arrange a common out-of-state contact for family members if you have to evacuate and become separated.

Know how to help seniors or other neighbors with disabilities.

### Welfare Decision found to be

### too Lenient

State Sens. Robert J. Mellow, Michael A. O'Pake and Allyson Schwartz say a state Department of Public Welfare decision to pay for voluntary criminal and child abuse background checks of subsidized providers in unregulated day care is too lenient.

Mellow, the Democratic Leader, said the new policy, which takes effect in February, should mandate the checks to protect as many as 200,000 children in subsidized care.

"To unknowingly pay even one rapist, child molester or murderer to care for our youngest children is unacceptable," said Schwartz, a Philadelphia Democrat.

Under the new policy, the public welfare department will pay for the \$10 criminal background check and the \$10 ChildLine child-abuse registry check for any neighbor or relative in the state's subsidized child-care system who volunteers for the checks.

The program is expected to cost between \$1.5 million and \$3 million per year.

### Amish Man Faces Charge for Unpaid Ticket

An Amish man who says state traffic regulations violate his religious beliefs faces a contempt charge for failing to pay a ticket.

Jonas Swartzentruber, 22, of rural Carrolltown in Cambria County, is scheduled to appear today before Cambria County Judge Francis Leahey.

In April, police cited Swartzentruber and fined him \$25 for not displaying a large orange reflective triangle on the back of his horse-drawn buggy as required by law.

This fall, Swartzentruber lost an appeal in which he argued the state law, which requires a slow-moving vehicle to display a caution triangle, violates his religious beliefs. The bishops of his order do not allow members to display bright colors on their belongings.

"It's for their safety," said John R. Smith, a police officer with the Northern Cambria Regional police. "You sort of cringe when you see a buggy without one going around a blind curve, but it hasn't been a real problem as yet."

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## NATIONAL

## Vice president's appeal lays in the hands of state court

TALLAHASSEE, Florida (CNN) — Democrat Al Gore's appeal for a hand recount of disputed Florida presidential ballots is now in the hands of the state's highest court. In Tallahassee, the Florida Supreme Court heard oral arguments Thursday — exactly one month after Election Day — before recessing to consider its ruling. There is no word on when that will come.

A few blocks away, two trials that also hold potential for Gore in his uphill fight are nearing completion. At issue in those cases are alleged irregularities in several thousand absentee ballots that have led Democrats to ask that all 25,000 absentee ballots in Seminole and Martin counties be thrown out. Republican George W. Bush's certified margin of victory in Florida is just 537 votes, meaning that decisions favorable to Gore in any of the three cases could cost Bush his lead.

Attorneys for Gore and Bush presented their positions during a 68-minute session before the Florida Supreme Court. Gore's appeal seeks to force a recount of some 14,000 disputed ballots in Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties.

Chief Justice Charles T. Wells was skeptical that a recount could be accomplished by December 12, the day by which Florida's presidential electors must be picked.

Gore's lawyer, David Boies, was more optimistic. "We believe the ballots can be counted in the time available," he replied.

But lawyers for Bush and Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris both said Gore was asking the state's highest court to exceed its legal powers. Joseph Klock, representing Harris, said the court would have to "create a pile of law" to grant Gore's request.

"There is not a single shred of evidence to show that any voter was denied the right to

vote," argued Bush's lawyer, Barry Richard, adding that the state's highest court has no business stepping in and overseeing recounts.

In the Seminole and Martin county cases, Democrats seek to have absentee ballots thrown out, alleging that election officials illegally allowed Republican Party members to complete absentee ballot applications by entering missing voter identification numbers. The two cases are being heard by separate judges, not juries, in Leon County Circuit Court.

Testimony in the Martin County trial ended about 12:30 p.m. EST Thursday. Leon County Circuit Judge Terry Lewis promised a written decision by noon Friday. Closing arguments in the Seminole County trial began about 1:30 p.m. EST Thursday.

Voter ID numbers were left off many applications through computer errors in Seminole County, and incorrect numbers were placed on the forms in Martin County. Florida law says ballot applications may not be mailed out without the correct identification numbers.

Latest developments:

- In Washington, Gore and running mate Joseph Lieberman watched on television from the vice president's official residence as their appeal was argued before the Florida Supreme Court. Gore also kept in touch with his attorneys in Tallahassee. Boies confirmed that Gore was the person on the other end of a cell phone conversation he had Thursday morning outside the Florida Supreme Court building. "We have the law on our side," Boies told Gore before the attorney went inside to argue the appeal.

- In the Martin County trial, elections supervisor Peggy Robbins, a Republican, testified Thursday she thought she was doing the sensible thing when she let Republicans fill in

missing identification numbers on ballot applications. "The mistake that was made on them (the ballot applications) was made by the Republican Party," Robbins said. "It only seemed logical to allow the Republican Party to correct that mistake."

- In addition to the hearing Gore's appeal Thursday, the Florida Supreme Court also is working to clarify a previous decision — a ruling that allowed hand recounts to continue past the state election law certification deadline. As a result of that ruling, Gore cut Bush's lead by nearly 400 votes. The Florida high court is reviewing its earlier decision, on orders from the U.S. Supreme Court.

- Members of the Florida Legislature are headed to Tallahassee for Friday's special session to consider appointing a slate of presidential electors. Democrats denounce the action as unnecessary. With Republicans in the majority in the Florida Legislature, a special session for choosing electors would be "an insurance policy for George Bush," Florida House Democratic Leader Lois Frankel told CNN on Thursday. But Republican leaders of the Florida Legislature say it is essential to avoid disenfranchising Florida voters in the presidential race. "There are 25 electoral delegates that are possibly in jeopardy," Florida House Majority Leader Mike Fasano told CNN in a separate interview. (More on the special session)

- Bush is in Austin as he continues working on whom he would ask to join a Republican administration. Aides to the Texas governor say 15,000 resumes have been submitted via the Bush-Cheney transition Web site. (Bush-Cheney Transition)

- A federal appeals court in Atlanta denied Bush's bid to throw out the results of manual recounts already completed. The 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled Wednesday

that since Bush was ahead before the recounts, and still ahead afterward, he had not suffered "irreparable injury." At the same time, the Atlanta court did not rule on the constitutional claims advanced by the Texas governor, a point that Bush's lawyers stressed afterward. Gore's aides also seized on the ruling, saying it cleared the way for Florida's high court to decide the election by counting additional ballots, as requested by the vice president. (More on the 11th U.S. Circuit Court rulings)

- Gore is not a party to the Seminole and Martin county lawsuits, but the Bush campaign accuses him of supporting them in what it considers a hypocritical reversal of Gore's call that every vote be counted. The Gore camp denies the charge, arguing that absentee ballot applications from Republicans received special treatment not afforded to Democrats.

- The yellow Ryder truck famous for transporting Palm Beach County's disputed presidential ballots to Tallahassee last month is for sale. Budget Group Inc., which operates Ryder truck rentals, is auctioning the 1999 Ford F350 on the Internet, with the net proceeds to be donated to the American Red Cross.

What's at stake?

Florida's 25 electoral votes are the balance that will determine who wins a presidential contest still in dispute one month after the November 7 election that gave Gore a 337,576-vote lead in the popular vote.

Presidents are chosen by electoral votes, and the states officially select their elector slates on December 12, the first deadline that worries the Gore camp. The Electoral College casts its votes — 270 are needed to win — on December 18 in the state capitols. The outcome will be reported to the new Congress by January 6.

## Jockey, Chris Antley found dead at his home; suicide suspected

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Chris Antley, whose struggles with weight, drugs and alcohol dogged a riding career that included two Kentucky Derby victories, was found dead at his home in an apparent homicide.

The 34-year-old jockey suffered "severe trauma to the head," police said Sunday. An autopsy was pending by the Los Angeles County coroner.

"We do not believe that this was a random act, and so the detectives are looking into all possible suspects," police Cmdr. Mary Schander said.

Antley was found by a family member and a friend Saturday night, police said. A 911 call made about 11 p.m. described a man who was "lying inside the house, who may possibly be dead," police said.

Ron Anderson, Antley's former agent, said a friend of Antley's had gone to the air-

port to pick up the jockey's brother, and when they returned, there was no answer at the door.

"There seems to have been some struggle at the house," Anderson said.

Gary Stevens, a fellow rider and longtime friend who spoke Sunday with Antley's wife, Natalie, said he had been told it appeared the jockey was struck in the back of the head.

"He seemed to have some fear that something like this was going to happen," said Stevens, who last spoke to Antley three weeks ago.

Natalie Antley, who is eight months pregnant with the couple's first child, was in New York at the time of his death, Stevens said. The Antleys met during the 1999 Triple Crown series and were married earlier this year.

Timothy Wyman Tyler Jr., 24, a man police described as an associate of Antley's,

was arrested Sunday on three outstanding drug warrants. Police did not call him a suspect.

Antley's career was interrupted by frequent battles with weight, alcohol and drugs. He lost his New York jockey's license in 1988, when he tested positive for cocaine and marijuana.

After entering drug rehab, he came back to win his first Kentucky Derby aboard Strike the Gold in 1991. Last year, he won the Derby and Preakness riding Charismatic.

Antley stopped riding in March because of his ballooning weight, which the 5-foot-3 rider had tried to fight over the years with diet pills, fad diets and vomiting.

He finished second in his final race at Santa Anita on March 19.

Last year, Antley made yet another successful comeback from struggles with weight

and depression to ride Charismatic, a lightly regarded 3-year-old. They missed winning the Triple Crown when the horse finished third in the Belmont Stakes, then pulled up just past the finish line with a broken leg.

The injury ended Charismatic's racing career, but the horse survived.

Trainer D. Wayne Lukas called Antley "a very, very talented rider."

Antley, a high school dropout from Ellmore, S.C., began his career in New York, and was the nation's leading rider in 1985 with 469 wins. He was the first jockey to win nine races in a single day, accomplishing that on Oct. 31, 1987, riding at both Aqueduct and the Meadowlands.

He moved to Southern California in the 1990s. He won 3,480 career races, from 19,719 mounts, and his horses earned more than \$92 million.

## National Briefs

## NASA one for two in deploying solar wings

CAPE CANAVERAL — NASA officials were assessing their options early Monday about when to finish unfurling the international space station's newly attached set of powerful solar panels. Only the right panel was deployed Sunday. Some of the tension cables appeared to be slack.

## Delta cancels nearly 300 flights

ATLANTA — Delta Air Lines confirmed it was forced to cancel almost 300 flights this weekend because pilots refused to work overtime as contract talks continued between their union and the carrier. The Atlanta-based airline, the third largest in the U.S., has been in negotiations with the pilots since September 1999. Delta normally operates 2,700 flights a

day and on a normal day fewer than two flights are canceled due to crew shortages.

## N.J. couple seeks to hold HMOs liable

CHERRY HILL, N.J. — The couple who helped end "drive-through" deliveries after their 2-day-old daughter died are on a new crusade — this time to hold HMOs accountable for their medical decisions. Steve and

Michelle Bauman hope to crack the shield of a federal law that has protected health maintenance organizations from lawsuits by patients who were harmed by the denial, delay or poor quality of care. They're suing Aetna U.S. Healthcare, claiming its former policy of discharging newborns from hospitals after 24 hours led to the death of their first baby, Michelina, a day after she was sent home in May 1995.



## INTERNATIONAL

## Japan's Prime Minister appoints Cabinet with goal of unity

TOKYO (AP) - Prime Minister Yoshiro Mori appointed a new Cabinet on Tuesday, putting together a lineup intended to unite this country's fractious ruling party and breathe life into an administration many Japanese see as an embarrassment. To bolster his eroding power base, Mori gave key positions to two influential former prime ministers - Kiichi Miyazawa and Ryutaro Hashimoto.

The reshuffle does not presage major changes on Japan's political scene. Stressing the need for continuity, Mori had several ministers retain their former posts and drew almost exclusively from the ruling three-party coalition for the appointments.

Doubts remained over whether the shake-up would dispel concerns over Mori's ability to run the nation. He faces major tasks, namely the revival of Japan's still-struggling economy, a government restructuring plan to take effect next month, and elections for Parliament looming.

Following the mass resignation of his Cabinet in the morning - an expected formality - Mori had the difficult job of putting together a lineup that satisfied rival factions within his party and a public unhappy with his performance since he took office in April.

With both Miyazawa and Hashimoto appointed, it is the first time in Japan's history that two former prime ministers serve simultaneously as Cabinet members - a situation that could lead to bickering for power.

But the presence of Hashimoto, a powerful politician who controls the ruling Liberal Democratic Party's largest faction, could give Mori's administration a renewed sense of legitimacy along with the influence it needs to pass key legislation in Parliament.

The new Cabinet included some familiar faces: Yohei Kono remained on as foreign minister, and outspoken Chikage Ogi kept her post as construction minister. Masahiko Komura, a former foreign minister, was

appointed to head the Justice Ministry.

Still, Mori did make some changes - including appointing Hashimoto to serve as head of Okinawan affairs and government reform - and he's hoping the change will bolster his sagging administration.

Public opinion polls put his support at under 20%, and he just barely survived a rebellion within his own party to beat a no-confidence motion two weeks ago. Mori's new Cabinet can expect some difficult months ahead.

Figures released Monday showed that although the nation's economy is expanding, it has not recovered from its worst slowdown in decades. Concerns have been raised that Mori, whose support within the Liberal Democratic Party is shaky, will not be able to push for any tough economic measures.

Market watchers reacted to the Cabinet resignation with skepticism. The Nikkei Average, the main barometer of Japan's stock

market, has fallen to near two-year lows since Mori became prime minister in April. The market remained weak Tuesday, losing 35 points at the end of the morning trading session.

"As there do not appear to be any changes ahead, the market has no hopes for improvement," said Akihiro Niinomi, an analyst for Tokai Bank in Tokyo.

Mori's new Cabinet also will have to deal with the new, leaner bureaucratic framework designed to make Japan's government less cumbersome and more responsive to the nation's needs.

To reflect the bureaucratic reforms, Mori is naming a smaller Cabinet. The current 22 ministers will be reduced to at most 17, with many of the former posts combined and other new positions created.

## Protesters dispersed as European leaders gather for summit

NICE, France (AP) - French riot police fired tear gas Thursday to disperse hundreds of protesters who threw stones and bottles and rushed barricades around a conference center where European leaders were arriving for a summit on unity.

The clashes, which mirrored similar protests that have marred high-profile international gatherings across the world in recent months, created scenes of chaos in this resort Riviera city.

Tear gas wafted across the entrance to the building, causing French President Jacques Chirac to sneeze and Prime Minister Lionel Jospin to step away from photographers so he could blow his nose.

Chirac later condemned the violence. "Some serious troubles took place. We even saw some individuals trying to stop fire crews from getting to the scene of a fire," he said.

Streets were littered with broken glass and stones and a bank building was briefly set on fire. At least 20 police officers were lightly injured as the rioters tried to pierce police defenses in a street that leads up to the Acropolis convention center's main entrance. Two protesters were detained.

A ragtag group of several hundred Spanish anarchists, radical trade unionists, and Basque and Corsican separatists fought pitched battles

with the police as they sought to break through the ring of steel encircling the building.

The demonstrators made their way to within about 300 feet of the center's main entrance, where the leaders of the 15 European Union nations arrived one by one along with the heads of 13 countries due to join the bloc in the years ahead. But police then pushed the rioters back.

The unrest did not prevent the three-day summit from getting under way.

In the morning session, the EU leaders outlined to their counterparts from Cyprus, Malta, Turkey and 10 Eastern European nations a strategy to bring them into the fold by letting each candidate set its own pace of entry negotiations. But no dates were set for entry.

Chirac said the EU will be ready for newcomers as of 2003 though the first entrants will likely not join until 2004.

Polish Prime Minister Jerzy Buzek, whose country is pushing hardest for an entry date, was pleased. "I am convinced that those in favor of a faster enlargement will get the upper hand."

The EU leaders also began debating new voting rules and other reforms designed to prevent the union from bogging down in red

tape after its membership balloons to almost 30 in the years ahead.

Outside, some 4,000 protesters had gathered as dawn broke over the city, hoping to march to the convention center. But police and barricades blocked the way.

Their demands ranged from more social justice in Europe to increased rights for refugees. They chanted "Europe is not for sale" and "No, No, No to a federal Europe. Yes, Yes, Yes to a social Europe."

Many also criticized the Charter for Fundamental Rights, which EU leaders adopted later Thursday as a stand-alone document that has no legal weight.

"I am absolutely against the charter. It is a charter for the powerful and against the workers," said Katerina Mollura, a 66-year-old Italian from Turin.

Afterward, the city center was turned into a battlefield as a smaller number of flag-waving protesters rained stones and bottles on police, who responded with tear gas and stun grenades.

A crowd attacked the car of a motorist who had knocked over several protesters. Using sticks and pipes, they smashed the windows and forced the driver to flee in reverse. Undeterred, he floored it again scattering the demonstrators like dominoes.

Two blocks from the convention center, a bank was set on fire, and protesters, some masked, attacked the fire engine that came to extinguish the flames. But the blaze was quickly put out.

Protesters then turned on a real estate agency, smashing windows as terrified staff fled to an inner courtyard.

"I feel discouraged and disgusted," said agency owner Luc Mercier as he surveyed the broken glass and a smashed computer left on the sidewalk.

"They attacked the windows with sledgehammers," he said. "I am happy that no one was injured."

The streets were littered with stones, pieces of wood, broken signs and used tear gas canisters. Banks and businesses were covered in graffiti - with slogans ranging from "Long live ETA," referring to the violent Basque separatist group, to "Death to Money."

Some of the early bird marchers were angry about the later descent into violence.

"We are peaceful protesters. We don't want any violence," said Javier Pla, a 20-year-old student from Valencia in Spain, who was cleverly equipped with a gas mask. "These people are terrorists."

## International Briefs

## China bids to restart WTO membership

GENEVA - Chinese negotiators and members of the World Trade Organization met Tuesday in a new effort to overcome final obstacles to China's WTO membership. China has been trying for more than 14 years to join the body that sets global rules for international trade. Issues that divide China and the WTO's 140 members include China's use of agricultural and industrial subsidies, the right of foreign services companies to trade in China, and how to determine whether Chinese goods are being sold below market price.

## Russia's population decline to continue

MOSCOW - The steady decline of Russia's population, unprecedented for an industrialized nation not at war, is likely to last for decades to come, the head of the government statistics agency said Tuesday. Russia's population has dwindled by 3.3 million since the 1991 Soviet collapse to about 145 million as of Oct. 1. The State Statistics Committee forecasts that the population will shrink by 11 million more people in the next 15 years. Experts point to economic depression as the key reason for the population decline.

## Hamas will avenge commander's death

JERUSALEM - The Islamic militant group Hamas buried a senior militia commander Tuesday and threatened to carry out more bombings in Israel - unrest that could

further weaken Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak before possible early elections. Hamas said Awad Silmi, who died in an explosion Monday in the Gaza Strip, was in charge of a Hamas unit that planted roadside bombs. It said he had carried out 17 attacks, including the killing of an Israeli colonel in 1993.

## Ebola claims doctor who fought outbreak

KAMPALA, Uganda - A doctor who led Uganda's fight against an Ebola outbreak died of the disease Tuesday. Deaths from the outbreak increased to 156, nine of them coming in the last five days. The deceased physician, Matthew Lokwiya, was director of the hospital where the outbreak's first case of Ebola was diagnosed in mid-October.

Earliest-known human ancestors found  
NAIROBI, Kenya - French and Kenyan scientists have unearthed fossilized remains of mankind's earliest-known ancestors, predating previous discoveries by more than 1.5 million years. "Millennium Man," as the hominid creature has been nicknamed, was discovered in the Tugen Hills of the Rift Valley in Kenya's Baringo district.

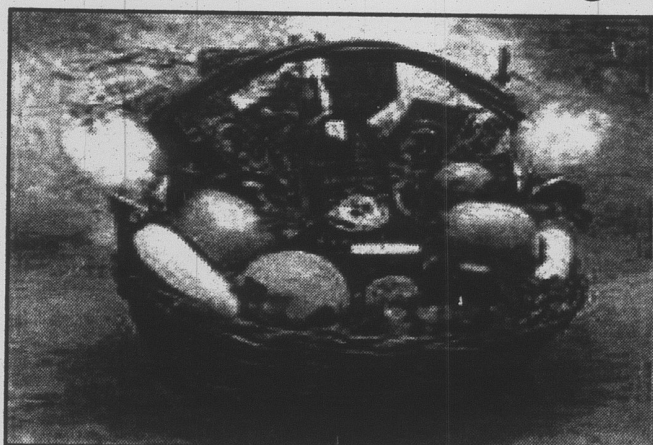
## Trial of former Nazi SS officer begins

RAVENSBURG, Germany - One of the last German Nazi war crimes suspects likely to face justice went on trial Monday. Julius Viel, 82, a former Nazi SS officer, is charged with gunning down seven Jewish concentration camp inmates during World War II. Viel denies involvement in the killings.



# HEALTH

## Weight gained during the holiday season can take all year to shed



AP File Photo  
Routine changes cause rapid weight gain for many.

By Delores Natale  
STAFF WRITER

The five weeks between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day present a challenge to any weight loss program, according to the

Asimba web site.

"The holidays offer too many opportunities to have fun with family and friends; too many temptations to overindulge in drink and food; and too few opportunities to exercise," said Dr. Amy Roberts, cardiovascular fitness expert for Asimba.

Exercise is key to combating the additional calories and handling the stress of the holidays, according to Chrissy Evanoski, fitness director at the New Castle YMCA.

"Everyone gets so busy during the holidays, they break with their normal exercise routine," Evanoski said. "The weight gained during this five weeks may take all year to shed."

Exercise and weight loss programs experi-

ence a marked increase in participation after the holidays. Evanoski states fitness classes are busiest the two weeks after Thanksgiving and the three months after New Year's. Maria Tsikouris, registered dietitian with the Jameson Weight program, states program participation doubled the first three months of this year.

Sophomore Pam Stennis is not concerned about weight gain but tries to eat healthy.

"I tend to overeat during the holidays, then I get back on track afterwards," Stennis said. "My weakness is cookies and desserts, but I eat healthy foods after the first of the year."

Dr. Ron Galbreath, physical education professor and cross-country coach, stresses proper eating and exercise in his wellness programs. He encourages students to eat plenty of fruits and vegetables and avoid desserts and late night meals.

"Most students do not eat breakfast, then they end up eating a heavy meal in the TUB at nine o'clock at night," Galbreath said. "A better plan is to follow a regular schedule of breakfast, lunch and dinner, then have a light snack...fruit or salad at night."

Galbreath and Tsikouris recommend following the food pyramid as a dietary guideline. Larger servings of healthy foods are grouped at the bottom of the pyramid and foods to use sparingly are at the top. For example, 6-11 servings from the bread and cereal group are at the base of the pyramid, while 2-3 servings of milk, yogurt and cheeses are near the top. The pyramid can be accessed on the Web at [www.nal.usda.gov:8001/py/pmap.htm](http://www.nal.usda.gov:8001/py/pmap.htm).

Roberts lists the following tips for real Yuletide cheer during the holidays:

Plan ahead - If you plan to attend an evening party, eat a bit less for breakfast and lunch.

Don't skip meals - Eat small, low calorie meals during the day and a healthy snack, such as a piece of fruit, just before the party.

Don't hurry - When you arrive at a party, settle in and spend some time greeting people before you head for the food.

Dine at home - Research shows that when Americans dine out, they tend to make less healthful choices than when they eat at home.

## Ear protection at rock concerts may prevent hearing loss

By Heidi Krieger  
STAFF WRITER

Ears. All of us have them, some of us use them, a number of us abuse them, but how many of us protect them?

Many people fail to protect their ears because they don't realize that hearing loss is actually occurring.

"It is an insidious problem," physics professor Bill Johnson said. "The damage is done and you don't realize it until years later."

According to *The Physics of Sound* by Richard E. Berg and David G. Stork, permanent hearing loss is caused by disease, drugs or aging, which cause damage to the ear. Temporary loss can be caused by prolonged

exposure to loud sounds.

College students may need to worry about the latter, which after too much exposure can become a permanent problem.

Unhealthy decibel levels usually occur at levels above 85 decibels when listened to for a prolonged period of time. According to Consumer Reports, some sounds that fall into this category are a loud vacuum cleaner and a motorcycle at high speed, whose decibel levels fall between 85 and 100 and a chain saw or snowmobile at 100-110 decibels.

Rock concerts often have levels of 100-110 decibels or higher. Of 20 Westminster students surveyed, more than half said they go to concerts at least once a year and one third said

they attend more than two.

Most of these students had little or no hearing loss. However, at the median age of twenty, most were too young to have noticeable hearing loss yet.

Some have noticed that music at concerts can be too loud to be good for them.

"One time at a rave, the music was so loud it almost ruined the experience," said junior Jennie Cano. "It felt like my ears would bleed."

In order to prevent hearing loss, Johnson has a suggestion.

"Go to concerts. Enjoy concerts, but don't feel embarrassed to wear ear protection," he said.

As far as listening to music on a normal

basis, the students surveyed seem to be right on track. Most listened to music in their room between 60 and 70 decibels, which is not usually harmful. Some preferred it slightly softer in the 50-decibel range and some preferred it higher in the 70s.

Junior Sarah Lohr prefers the latter.

"The louder the music, the more enjoyable," Lohr said.

In the car 65 percent of the 20 turned up the music, while only ten percent turned it down.

In general it's best to listen to music softly to prevent hearing loss in the future. Remember, if you listen to it soft now, chances are you'll still be able to hear it later in life.

## 98six.com offers student view on a variety of health issues

A message from the  
Student Health Center

"J.G. Ballard perhaps most provocatively worked with the link between cars and sex in his (in) famous book *Crash*, but people have recognized the erotic aspects of automobiles since the days of drive-in theaters. Cars are sexy, and they offer a relatively high degree of privacy (especially if you're living with one or two other people in a dorm room), so its no surprise that you're thinking about or have already had a few sexual adventures in a velvet-bedecked Chevy your friends like to call 'the love wagon.'"

This is the introduction from an article by David Keeling entitled *Safer Sex: Auto Eroticism* from the "Flirtation" section of the website 98six.com. This website offers over 600 articles on health information. These articles range in topic from colds and flu to holiday stress reduction and are all written by college students. You can use these articles to

find answers to your health questions and get another student's perspectives on how to deal with those health concerns. In addition to offering information, 98six has a message board. You can offer your opinions to the 98six community, ask questions of the staff, or do your own surveys. You can remain anonymous while stating your own opinions.

The "Mirror Image" section deals with self-image, as well as individual identity issues.

Under the "Basic Health" section are articles on exercise and fitness, cold remedies, indigestion and chronic fatigue. There are articles on sports health concerning anabolic steroids, shin splints and prevention of basketball injuries.

Try logging on to 98six.com when you have a question about your own or a friend's physical or mental health and are interested in obtaining information as well as another student's perspective on how to handle a health concern.

## Tips for fighting chapped skin during the cold winter months

By Jessica Borchart  
STAFF WRITER

During the cold months of winter, it is necessary to pay extra attention to your skin and lips.

The reduction of humidity in the cold air can cause your skin as well as your lips to dry out. Cold air may be the primary reason for excess dryness, but it isn't the only factor you need to be concerned about.

Smoking constantly evaporates natural oils off your lips. It is also possible that certain medications you are taking could be a factor in the drying out of your skin or lips.

The following are a few helpful hints and preventions to help you through these dry days of winter.

Avoid taking long hot showers. It is suggested that you take shorter showers with warm water instead of hot. Hot water strips your body of its natural moisturizers.

It is also important to drink plenty of

water. Doctors recommend that you drink 8 to 10 glasses of water daily. Also, avoid excess licking of your lips. Moisture on your lips will soothe the dryness temporarily, but will strip your lips of its natural oils.

Applying Aloe Vera to your lips before you go to bed at night or before you put on gloss or Chap Stick will also help your lips retain their moisture.

Sunscreen in the winter is often overlooked, but it is a great way to prevent wind-burned and sunburned lips. There are many lip protectants out on the market that contain a percentage of sunscreen.

"I carry around Chapstick Medicated Plus in my purse only during the winter months," sophomore Monica Asher said.

"The Blistex that they sell at the tub work really well," sophomore Dan Beckwith said.

If you are suffering from a serious dry skin condition, there are many herbal remedies for both your skin and lips. These products can be purchased on the Internet as well as any pharmacy.



## SPORTS

### Titans end losing streak with win over Carlow; fall to Geneva

By Justin DeCapua  
STAFF WRITER

The Lady Titan basketball team moved to 2-4 on the season after splitting a two-game week with a defeat over Carlow College and a loss to Geneva College.

Westminster ended its three-game losing streak with an 87-76 victory over Carlow at Buzz Ridl Gymnasium, only to fall to rival Geneva three nights later in a 65-62 battle at Geneva. Both events were non-conference contests.

"We were pleased with the win over Carlow, but the one game we wanted to win all season was Geneva," Assistant Coach S. Kipley Haas said. "We knew it would be a dog fight, Geneva is very good, but we had a chance."

Westminster built a 10-0 lead against Carlow in the first five minutes of play and never looked back. The Lady Titans entered halftime with a nine point advantage.

"Our goal was to get some points in the paint, and we did," Haas said. "Our younger players gave us great contributions through-

out the entire game, (and) this made a difference."

In the second half, Carlow closed the gap to only six points, making the score 52-46 with 14:41 to play, but would get no closer. Up by seven in the final minute, the Titans sealed the deal by stretching the lead to 11 before the buzzer sounded.

Four players led Westminster, scoring in double figures. Sophomores Samor Himes and Jennifer Petures each racked up 17 points. Junior Robin Thayer and freshman Alicia Anderson contributed 14 points each to the Titan victory.

At Geneva, Westminster began the first half of play by building a seven point lead, only to enter the break with a two point advantage, with the score 28-26.

"We were playing good, but we knew we had to come out huge in the second half," sophomore Teale Ganster said.

Geneva switched to a full court press defense after halftime, weakening the Lady Titans' scoring percentage.

"They did an excellent job containing our players with pressure defense," Head Coach Jan Reddinger said. "This changed the

momentum for the worse."

The second half saw many lead changes, before Geneva took control for good at 58-55 with 3:35 to play. With seconds on the clock and Westminster down by three, the Titans' final effort three-point shot fell short as time expired.

"I believe we were the better team, we outplayed Geneva, but we just beat ourselves at the free throw line," Reddinger said. The Titans were a meager 19 for 31 from the foul line.

In the loss, three Lady Titans contributed double figures. Leading the Titans, Thayer scored a team-high 15 points. Anderson had 11, and Petures



Photo by Aly Karg

The Lady Titans came off with a three-game losing streak to beat Carlow, only to drop another to Geneva.

added 10. Himes contributed to the Titans effort by banging the boards for a game-high nine rebounds.

### Hump Dawgs capture first place at 3-on-3 soccer tournament

By Robert Fisher  
STAFF WRITER

The Hump Dawgs swept the Intramural Sports Department's 3-on-3 indoor soccer tournament Dec. 2 in Old 77. The team consisted of sophomores Kevin Humberston, B.J. Mathieu, Brian Mackrell and Dan Beckwith.

The co-ed tournament was open to all students and staff. Teams could have up to five players, but only two per team could be varsity athletes. There was no sign-up fee and the

winners received intramural champion T-shirts. Eight teams participated in the event.

"We saw a nice turnout at the tournament, and I think the kids really enjoyed playing," Intramural Coordinator Girish Thakar said.

This is the first year the intramural department hosted a 3-on-3 indoor soccer tournament. The department usually sponsors a 5-on-5 indoor tournament in the spring, but added this one due to student interest.

"The 5-on-5 tournament runs for about four weeks in the spring," Thakar said. "The kids showed a lot of interest in having a one-

day 3-on-3 tournament, and I think they really liked coming down and playing three or four games in one day."

The eight teams were divided into two groups of four. The tournament proceeded in round-robin format until the two top teams from each group were left. These teams proceeded to the finals.

Hump Dawgs forward Mathieu enjoyed the friendly atmosphere of the tournament.

"The competition was good, the exercise was good, and I really liked playing against people I knew for fun. I definitely plan to play again next year," Mathieu said.

Other athletes appreciated the tournament for different reasons.

"I enjoyed the tournament because it enabled kids who played in high school and those that didn't to play along with the guys on the college team now, which was challenging," sophomore Jason Alcorn said.

The Intramural Department is planning a winter and spring schedule for next semester. They plan to include basketball, volleyball, racquetball, tennis, and softball tournaments. Anyone with additional ideas for next semester can contact Thakar at EXT 7316.

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## Intramurals hope to expand with student involvement and ideas

By Mary Tommelleo  
STAFF WRITER

Are you tired of being just an armchair quarterback? Do you have a need for speed? If you've had it with the view from the sidelines, then intramural sports may be the answer.

Intramural coordinator Girish Thakar said the intramural sports program enables both staff and students to participate in sports for many reasons. He feels that even though most sports are competitive, he also would like the intramural athlete to have fun, exercise and have a chance to meet with friends, old and new.

Intramural sports basically consist of basketball, volleyball, flag football, soccer, softball, tennis, racquetball, Fun Run and any other type of activities that are shown to generate a lot of interest.

"We want to have, and try to get, activities

that the students and faculty members are most interested in," Thakar said. "There are as many different types of activities as there are participants."

Thakar said, "We have a large number of students and faculty that participate all the time." He said that although more people seem to be interested in it, he's hopeful that that more will get involved. He stressed that players don't have to be extraordinarily good to participate.

"Even if you're really good at sports, you can make it a challenge by setting up certain goals for yourself," he said. The program is set up so everyone can feel comfortable at his or her own level. Stronger players participate in the Power League. The Recreation League is designed for the less intense or less experienced players. And for those who like to have a good time and socialize when playing sports, there's the Co-Ed League.

Intramural sports take place throughout the

school year, but there's some difficulty in scheduling events from year to year. The slowest time is in the winter because there's only so much time and little space, so that all the teams can participate. In Jan. and Feb. there are no indoor games because certain varsity teams have to practice inside and can tie up the gym until 10:00 p.m. All activities start back up again in spring.

"We are now getting our schedule ready for the winter season," Thakar said. Starting in January, there will be open gym time in Old 77, two or three times a week, for pick-up basketball games. If any teams want to have some time allocated to use the gym at that time, for games other than basketball, Thakar will have to reserve it for you.

The spring schedule will be announced after Christmas break. Events to look for are the basketball league, volleyball, and singles and doubles tennis. If there is any interest shown for the idea, a softball tournament and

flag football will be added to the season. Scheduled events for the spring, the times and dates, will be available on the college website, also after Christmas break. Any ideas for the spring schedule just e-mail or phone Girish Thakar at EXT 7316.

Interested? If you want to sign up for events, you can do it right on the website. Go to the athletic page and click on to intramural sports. You can create your own team, be a team manager, or name the players. Take the team you've just created and participate in as many different events as you want. Just click on to the sport you want and play all year long.

You can get sport updates on how your team is doing, check your ratings, and see the results of certain games. You can even write your own account of your games on the website.

"It's all in what you make of it," Thakar said. "The possibilities are endless!"

## Swim teams place in top three at Akron University Invitational

By Brian Moorhead  
STAFF WRITER

Thursday afternoon, the Westminster men's and women's swim teams traveled to Akron, Ohio to compete in the Akron University Invitational.

The Titans competed against ten different colleges in Divisions I, II and III including rival Ashland University.

The men took the lead during finals Friday evening and never looked back, finishing the meet 80 points ahead of Ashland to take first place. The women's team also performed well, accomplishing their goals of placing in the top three and defeating Ashland.

Leading the way for the men's team were sophomore Jim Mann finishing first place in the 100 and 200 yd. backstroke and sophomore Seth Bontrager placing first in the 200 yd. butterfly and third in the 400 yd. Individual Medley (I.M.).

Mann's 200 yd. backstroke time of 1:54.72 set the school record and qualified him for Division II Nationals.

Co-captain Lucas Shipe said, "The outstanding swims by the sophomores and juniors, along with the general feel-good attitude of the team allowed us to pull through to win the meet."

Other top performances included second place finishes by juniors Kurt Rothoff in the 100 yd. breaststroke, Lucas Shipe in the 400 yd. I.M., Eric Mojock in the 100 yd. backstroke and Chris Giles in the 200 yd. I.M.

Co-captain Eric Mojock said, "The depth we displayed at this meet demonstrates the potential this team possesses for the rest of the season."

The men's team also dominated the relays. Finishing first in the 200 yd. med. relay was the team of Mann, Rothoff, Giles and sophomore, Craig Guthrie. The Titans also placed second in the 400 and 800 yd. Freestyle Relays and the 400 yd. med. relay.

Coach Robert Klamut summed up the men's win by stating, "Going into this meet I really didn't know what to expect. I was pleased to see that even with the stiff competition, everyone on the men's team was able to score at least one point enabling us to bring home a victory."

After the first day of competition, the Lady Titans were in fourth place behind rival Ashland. At that point, the women set their goal to pull ahead of Ashland to finish in the top three. With great swims by all the Lady Titans, the team was able to accomplish this goal.

Senior Co-captain Tara Crawford said, "The battle for third place against Ashland was just a predecessor to the battle against them on February 5th when we will compete with them in dual meet at home. Showing our depth at the Akron Invitational has surely given Ashland worries."

Crawford broke school records in the 100 yd. backstroke with a time of 1:01.55 and 200 yd. backstroke finishing fourth with a time of 2:14.04.

Top finishers for the women were freshman Brittany Jardine who finished second in the 200 yd. butterfly and first in the 100 yd. butterfly. Jardine's victory in the 100 yd. butterfly with a time of 58.74 was fast enough to qualify her for Division II Nationals.

Third place finishes for the women included sophomore Stephanie King in the 200 yd. breaststroke, freshman Katie Alukonis in the mile and the 500 yd. freestyle.

The 200 and 800 freestyle relays, and the 400 yd. med. relay also finished in third.

The 200 yd. freestyle relay of Jardine, junior Stephanie Dawson, freshman Megan Lytle and sophomore Amanda Zelechowski finished in a record-breaking time of 1:40.12. Crawford, King and Jardine, combined with junior Jaime Sell, to set a Titan record in the 400 yd. med. relay with a time of 4:03.41.

Coach Klamut, commented on the Lady Titan finish by stating, "I was extremely impressed by their determination to place in the top three. Finishing third was a big accomplishment. I was proud of the achievements made by all swimmers at this meet."

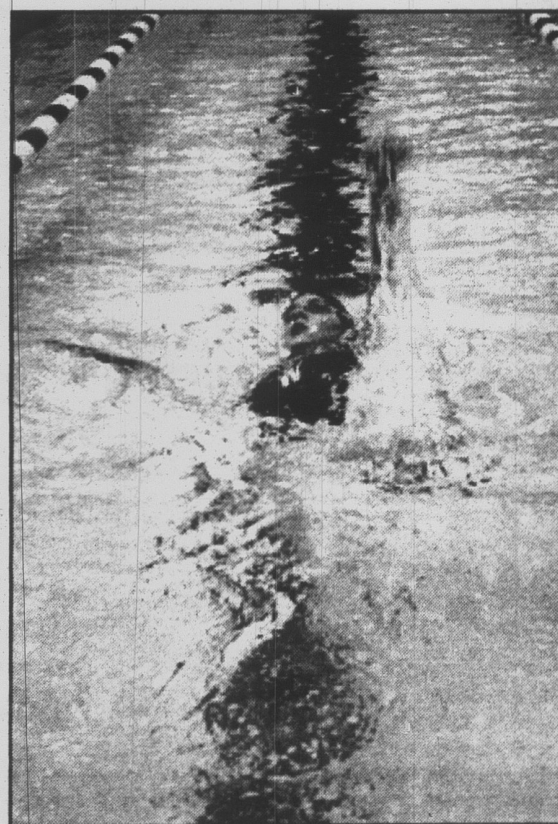


Photo by Courtney Behm  
The Lady Titans made a determined comeback to capture third place.

## Best Kept Secret dominates at intramural basketball competition

By Brian Najar  
STAFF WRITER

If Coach Girish Thakar has his way, the 5-on-5 basketball tournament held Sunday, Dec. 3 in Old 77 would be the tip of the iceberg for an exciting spring of intramural sports.

The tournament was open to coed or single sex teams. Only four teams of men signed up and the team "Best Kept Secret" won the tournament and all received Intramural Champ T-shirts for their efforts.

"I was pretty disappointed that more peo-

ple didn't show up," said sophomore Bart Hollowell, member of the winning team.

"Hopefully more people will show up in February when the intramural league starts," Hollowell said.

This is the first time Thakar has organized a one-day tournament. The tournaments are usually held over seven to eight weeks with the standings of the teams posted on the college web page.

"This is a good way for the students to blow off steam before heading into the finals," Thakar said.

Thakar plans to have an open gym at Old 77 during finals week where people can come

with teams or just show up and play a pick-up game. The main point of the open gym is that students will be guaranteed a chance to play and relieve some of the pressure of finals.

When students come back in January, sign-up sheets posted on the college web page will be available for students interested in playing in the spring basketball tournament. It will start in the middle of February and run until early March.

"It's very easy," Thakar said. "All students have to do is go to the Titan web page and sign-up."

Also starting in January, Thakar will be having an open gym three times a week so

students can practice for the upcoming basketball tournament.

He is encouraging the dorms, sororities and the fraternities to get involved in the spring tournament.

"Hopefully it will grow into other tournaments as well such as volleyball and soccer. Once the weather starts to warm up, we plan to have a 4-on-4 flag football tournament," Thakar said.

He also pointed out that it was up to the students to make the intramurals develop to their full potential.

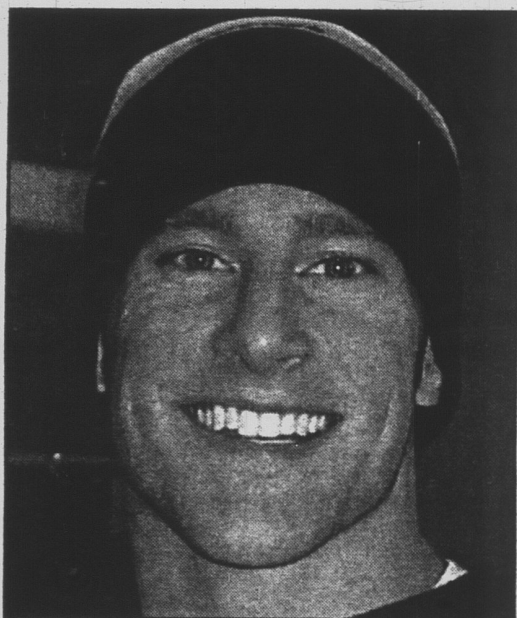
"The more that people participate," he said, "the farther it will go."



# FEATURE

## We are the people in your neighborhood

This week featuring John Lester Ciavarra and Dr. James Rhoads



**Name:** John Lester Ciavarra  
**Hometown:** Greensburg, PA  
**Nickname:** "Fathead" "Chic"  
**Year at WC:** Senior  
**Sign:** Pisces  
**Major:** Business Administration  
**Pet Peeve:** "When people leave their windshield wipers on and it's not raining. It makes me really mad. Argh!"

**SB:** Who would win the wrestling match between the Grinch and Ebenezer Scrooge?  
**Fathead:** The Grinch because he has real long fingers-and he's mean-and he has that dog with the Reindeer antlers.

**SB:** Did you believe in Santa when you were small? When did you figure out he wasn't?

**Fathead:** Yes, I did believe in him when I was small. In 2nd grade, this kid, Brad, came into class and told me there was no Santa Claus. I told my mom what he said, she called his mom, and she yelled at him.

**SB:** Can you name all of Santa's reindeer? Try.

**Fathead:** Rudolph, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner, Blitzen...[many many hints later]...Dancer.

**SB:** What is your favorite holiday television special?

**Fathead:** Definitely "Rudolph"-definitely-because I like the Abominable Snowman.

**SB:** What do you want for Christmas?

**Fathead:** Playstation 2...and happiness throughout the world.

**Name:** James Rhoads  
**Hometown:** Newton Falls, OH  
**Nickname:** None  
**Year at WC:** 8th  
**Sign:** Scorpio  
**Department:** Political Science & Sociology  
**Pet Peeve:** Pretension

**SB:** Who would win the wrestling match between the Grinch and Ebenezer Scrooge?  
**Rhoads:** Although the Grinch seems to be more agile, I would think that Scrooge's dogged determination and hostile indifference would make him the better wrestler.

**SB:** Did you believe in Santa when you were small? When did you figure out he wasn't?

**Rhoads:** Of course. I don't remember when I came to that epiphany. It is a sad day for all of us, however.

**SB:** Can you name all of Santa's reindeer? Try.

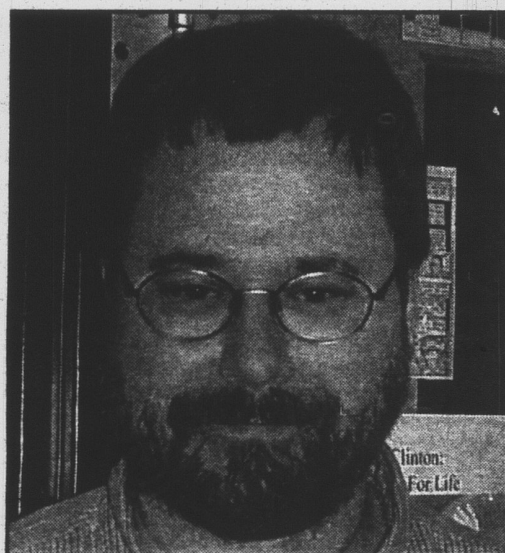
**Rhoads:** Rudolph, Donner, Blitzen, et al.

**SB:** What is your favorite holiday television special?

**Rhoads:** I liked the cartoon version of The Christmas Carol starring Mr. Magoo as Scrooge.

**SB:** What do you want for Christmas?

**Rhoads:** Rest and relaxation. A conclusion to the presidential election!!



## The essence of Reading Day

By Sara Bozich  
 FEATURE EDITOR

What exactly is Reading Day? When I mention Reading Day to people unfamiliar with WC, they usually question what I am rambling about. Not all schools schedule this day that has become so sacred in students' hearts. Sometimes, however, I find it hard to describe what exactly the day is. Administrators and professors may simply address it as the day after classes end and before finals begin. It is intended, apparently, for reading. I assume reading should suggest studying.

The definition gets extremely complicated because the true holiday is Reading Day Eve, when the actual celebration takes place. Over time, people have begun to refer to the night before as Reading Day, which is not entirely accurate. We could suppose, perhaps, that any holiday begins one day prior to the observed calendar day at whatever time our commitments (class) or engagements (meeting with groups) ends.

Upon further research of the topic, I found that "Reading Day" originally comes from the Latin, "readimus daemus" meaning "to be hung over and sleep-in without missing any classes a day before several large examinations."

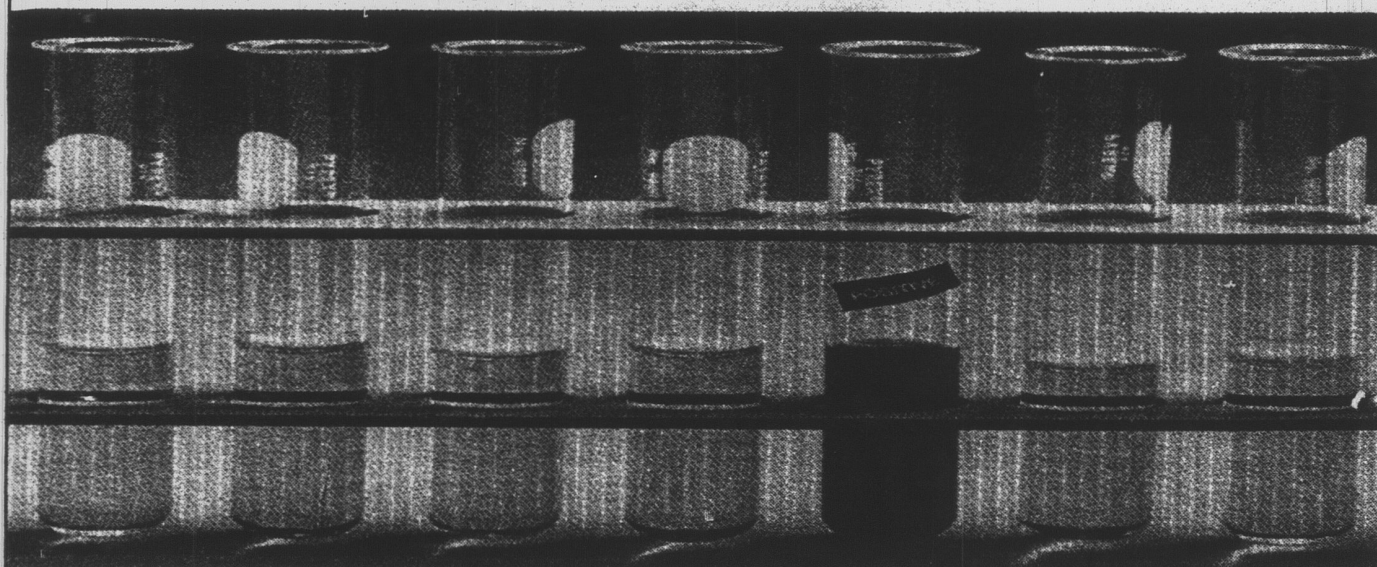
In Egyptian it means, "day for organizations to have lunch at the Lube," and in Hebrew, if it is past 5 p.m. on a "Reading Day" it is known as "moment of panic."

Reading Day can benefit professors as well. It is frequently used as an extension due date for papers and projects at the close of the semester, and provides professors with an opportunity to never, ever, ever return your papers!

Other advantages of Reading Day, besides the ability to sleep in, are that it jump starts the annual ritual for the TUB to offer free cookies and coffee or tea to those attempting all-nighters and such. The celebration lasts week-long. Similarly, the library extends its hours until 2 a.m. to accommodate those students interested in utilizing as much time cramming knowledge into their brains in peace and quiet as humanly possible. Let us not forget that most residence halls also offer holiday functions, usually involving free food (always a favorite for me) and sometimes a perky holiday film.

Also of interest, the TUB is open 24-hours beginning Reading Day and spanning throughout finals period. And this year the school is offering a stress reduction seminar from noon until 4 p.m. in the Student Health Center.

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Instructions: Read each question carefully. Answer all questions.

Time limit: 2 hours. Begin immediately.

History: Describe the history of the Papacy from its origins to the present day, concentrating especially, but not exclusively, on its social, political, economic, religious and philosophical impact on Europe, Asia, America and Africa. Be brief, concise and specific.

Medicine: You have been provided with a razor blade, a piece of gauze, and a bottle of scotch. Remove your appendix. Do not suture

until you work has been inspected. You have fifteen minutes.

Public Speaking: 2500 riot-crazed Aborigines are storming the classroom. Calm them. You may use any ancient language except Latin or Greek.

Biology: Create life. Estimate the differences in subsequent human culture if this form of life had developed 500 million years earlier, with special attention to its probable effect on the English Parliamentary System. Prove your thesis.

Music: Write a piano concerto. Orchestrate and perform it with flute and drum. You will find a piano under your seat.

Psychology: Based on your knowledge of their works, evaluate the emotional stability, degree of adjustment, and repressed frustrations of each of the following: Alexander of Aphrodisias, Rameses II, Hammurabi.

Support your evaluation with quotations from each man's work, making appropriate references. It is not necessary to translate.

Sociology: Estimate the sociological problems that might accompany the end of the world. Construct an experiment to test your theory.

Engineering: The disassembled parts of a high-powered rifle have been placed on your desk. You will also find an instruction manual, printed in Swahili. In ten minutes, a hungry Bengal tiger will be admitted to the room. Take whatever action you feel necessary. Be prepared to justify your decision.

Economics: Develop a realistic plan for refinancing the national debt. Trace the possible effects of your plan in the following areas: Cubism, the Donatist Controversy, and the Wave Theory of Light. Outline a method for preventing these effects. Criticize this method

from all possible points of view. Point out the deficiencies in your point of view, as demonstrated in your answer to the last question.

Political Science: There is a red telephone on the desk beside you. Start World War III. Report at length on its socio-political effects if any.

Epistemology: Take a position for or against truth. Prove the validity of your stand.

Physics: Explain the nature of matter. Include in your answer an evaluation of the impact of the development of mathematics on science.

Philosophy: Sketch the development of human thought. Estimate its significance. Compare with the development of any other kind of thought.

General Knowledge: Describe in detail. Be objective and specific.

## Internet bookstores: a cheaper alternative to on-campus buying

By Alyssa Detore  
STAFF WRITER

Money, or lack thereof, is an endless struggle for college students. Purchasing textbooks is no exception to this funding dilemma.

College bookstores are often expensive and check-out lines are usually time-consuming. So, what options and alternatives do students have?

The first is purchasing used books at a lower price from the school's bookstore. Unfortunately, these textbooks sell out quickly and if you don't spend the previous night waiting in line at the TUB, you're probably

going to be out of luck.

The second alternative is buying the desired book from a student that has already had the class. Unfortunately, this can be problematic if you don't know the right person. One student offers a suggestion used by a friend at another school.

"Near the end of each semester, students would post flyers informing everyone when and where to meet in order to buy and sell used books," junior Jon McKay said. "It worked out great because you could find the books you needed much easier and buy them at a cheaper price compared to the bookstore. You were also able to make more money sell-

ing books to students instead of selling them back to the bookstore."

One more choice that is fairly new for saving money is Internet bookstores. Websites such as [ecampus.com](http://ecampus.com) and [VarsityBooks.com](http://VarsityBooks.com) offer faster and cheaper substitutions to buying books on campus. [ecampus.com](http://ecampus.com) prides itself on presenting the "greatest value and the best possible service...." Their commercials claim, "We know you're broke. We make you less broke." Not only do they offer less expensive textbooks, they provide the added incentive of free shipping for purchases.

Recently, a few states have even suggested bills that would require colleges and universi-

ties to provide book lists and financial aid information to private bookstores. If accepted, this would hopefully force college and university bookstores to lower their prices due to the new competition.

"I know it's cheaper to buy books on the Internet, but I haven't looked into it yet," senior Jeff Kovacs said. "I think I'll just stick with the bookstore because I only have one more semester left."

"The books at this school are way too expensive, and it's too difficult to find used ones," sophomore Romney O'Shane said. "If there are cheaper ways to buy books, I'm definitely going to use them."

## Public Relations Student Society of America enters second year PRSSA gives opportunities for public relations majors to expand their knowledge

By Emily Ludovici  
STAFF WRITER

In the past year, the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) has been brought to campus. The PRSSA is a student division of the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA).

The purpose of the PRSSA is to organize opportunities for public relations majors and minors and to enhance their knowledge of the public relations field.

"The idea is to bring about the personal and professional growth of the members (of the PRSSA) and prepare them for the future," PRSSA President Nicole Zeller said.

The PRSSA is controlled by the students on campus, with the help of Deborah Mitchell, Faculty Advisor, and Bob O'Gara, who is with the Pittsburgh chapter of the PRSA. Seven officers hold positions in the PRSSA: in addition to Zeller, senior Katherine Brentzel, vice president; senior Wendy Hamilton, secretary; junior Michael Burnett, treasurer; senior Meghan Duda, public relations director; senior Joseph Ruck, historian and senior Alyssa Detore, communications liaison.

The executive officers meet once a week and the members meet once a month. They hold workshops, résumé critique sessions, sponsor colloquia and have speakers give pre-

sentations. Recently, they had a technology workshop that dealt with creating web sites.

"Being a part of the PRSSA is extremely beneficial," Zeller said. "It gives members good opportunities for jobs and employers look favorably upon it."

Westminster's chapter of the PRSSA currently has 29 members and dues must be paid in order to become a member. A yearly payment of \$41 goes to national dues and \$9 goes to local dues. Students are able to join the PRSSA in the spring or fall. Initiations for the new members this fall are to be held before finals.

"Our goals are to let the campus be aware of the chapter since it's so new, and also have

the chapter be recognized on a national level," Zeller said.

The PRSSA was founded April 4, 1968 by the PRSA board of directors. They created this division of the PRSA to help students understand the profession and follow principles in order to create a professional attitude, and eventually become PRSA members.

In order for colleges and universities to start a PRSSA chapter, they must offer a minimum of five public relations courses. Since 1967 there have been approximately 160 campus-based chapters.

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Language Association Convention in December. After a few last interviews in February, an applicant will be offered the position and will be expected to begin teaching in the fall of 2001.

"Because of anticipated retirements, this will be an ongoing process in the English department," Perkins said.

"[Doc] is a witty, generous, well-read and articulate colleague. I have depended on his friendship and guidance for more than a quarter of a century. The shape of our English curriculum is the shadow of William J. McTaggart. He will still be with us every day," Perkins said.

McTaggart currently resides in New Wilmington with his beloved cocker spaniel,

Prozac, called "Zak" for short.

"I've always had a dog, except when I was in college. But my parents had one," he said. "I love animals."

McTaggart graduated from Clairton High School in 1958, and received his B.A. from West Virginia Wesleyan College in 1962. After a brief stint of teaching at Thomas Jefferson High School for three years, McTaggart enrolled at Ohio University. He earned his Masters and PhD in three years, and went to Oxford University for a year as a Fulbright-Hayes scholar. McTaggart also taught at Carnegie-Mellon University for three years. Eager to return to the small college environment, Doc began teaching at Westminster in September of 1975. He is a

tenured professor.

Last fall, McTaggart was awarded the 1999-2000 Professor of the Year Award from Kappa Delta. This year, he was awarded the Zeta Lambda Faculty of the Year award from Theta Chi.

"My college life has really come full circle. When I started college I joined Theta Chi, and now that I'm leaving college I get an award from Theta Chi, so it makes a nice circle," he said.

Upon retirement, McTaggart plans to volunteer his time at St. Francis Hospital in New Castle.

"I'll visit the patients, talk to them, try to cheer them up," he said. "Maybe someday, if my memory gets better, I could come back

and teach part-time."

One thing McTaggart will miss is the lack of opportunity to meet new students every year.

"It makes me very sad that I won't be meeting new students every year. It won't be very long until I walk into the TUB and people will say 'Who's that guy?' No one will know me except the TUB ladies," McTaggart said.

"I love students - that's the only reason I teach. I love teaching. Every time I walk into a classroom I feel like I'm walking on stage and I have twenty-five people to entertain for an hour."



# OPINION

## Rant and Rave

*"Why do they always serve good food in the cafeteria on one day and all nasty on the other? One day you'll want to eat everything and the next you'll basically waste the meal!"*

*"Why isn't there a hot tub in the TUB? If they want to call it the 'tub' there should be something to back that up."*

*"What I can't understand is why I have to ask Marriott for permission to take food out of the cafeteria. Let's get something straight - it's my meal plan. This place makes healthy eating so impossible, I can't understand why now I can't take a piece of fruit out of the cafeteria. I say, get rid of Marriott and get something better."*

*"If the Holcad is a student run paper, why have there been national stories on the front page for four weeks in a row?"*

*"The student artwork in the gallery looks absolutely wonderful! I'm so impressed."*

*"The sports award banquet always has the same food...then the same kind of food shows up in the cafeteria for the following week...hmm."*

*"I'm really excited to be finished with classes....now if I can just get through finals."*

## Our View: The problem with tests

The library and TUB lounge have seen increasing activity in the past week and it's not going to slow down until a week from Saturday when the dreaded Finals Week is over.

So, students fill up on caffeine and sugar while trying to cram sometimes a semester's worth of information into one night (maybe more if they're really ambitious).

The question is though, what's the point? Are students really learning the information they're studying or are they merely attempting to store it in the ever-famous short term memory bank, just long enough to get through their final?

Especially with many professors leaning away from the cumulative test, the purpose of finals should be questioned.

The issue begins long before the second week in December or May though. In fact, one might say the issue lies in what the overall purpose of testing is.

The dictionary defines a test as a set of questions, problems, or exercises for determining a person's knowledge, abilities, aptitude, or qualifications; an examination.

Based on this definition, a test should necessarily be focused on displaying knowledge first and foremost and less concerned with the standard written exam. What has the final test become but a necessary inconvenience for both professors and students? Many times students don't learn the information because they cram it all in the night before. Professors then use the grades on these tests to help determine a grade for the class as a whole, but it is debatable whether a test can indicate at all how much a student really knows. Testing then rewards the best crammers and not the most

knowledgeable with a good overall grade in the course and the motivation to repeat this frantic cramming of knowledge, as it was productive in the past.

Also, it must be considered how testing affects professors. A student takes a test. Say this student fails the test because the material wasn't covered adequately by the professor. Actually, say a lot of the students fail the test. What does the professor do? Nothing. S/he just writes down the grade in the gradebook and says, "You might want to study harder for

**What has the final test become but a necessary inconvenience for both professors and students? Many times students don't learn the information because they cram it all in the night before.**

the next exam." But what about the material that was covered on the previous exam? The student might not ever learn it. So what is that saying about the material? That it's not important?

Professors are so bound and determined to cover the 20 chapters in the book that they sometimes just plow right through important information and whomever learns it, learns it. It's understandable that professors can't make everyone learn the material, but it's disappointing when professors and students simply neglect to return to the material they tested poorly in.

Testing is a means to future inadequacy.

Students learn that pulling something off at the last minute is more effective than putting in the time and actually committing something to long-term memory. They better succeed when they can regurgitate word for word what the professor said, paying no heed to comprehension. For professors, testing is a license to speed through material while feeling as if they have done their part by quizzing the students.

Based on this, alternate methods of "testing" should be examined.

Final projects, for example, are a growing trend. While a final project may involve more work, it gives professors a better idea of a student's grasp on the material. Students, as well, are forced to spend adequate time on their final. The final project gives the student a chance to demonstrate his or her knowledge in a wide variety of topics that have been covered throughout the semester as opposed to what a student can cram in the night before the cumulative exam comprised of recycled material on earlier tests which never really tested the student's knowledge in the first place.

Our suggestion is that professors seriously evaluate the value of exams to see if they are determining knowledge or simply making a particular professor appear to be doing his or her job. Students need to evaluate whether or not they are getting anything from their haphazard study methods and should be prepared to learn the material whether testing requires this or not.

The final project is a superior assessment of the way a student understands and applies the material and should be considered as an alternative to the written final.



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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Once again I am writing in response to Sara Bozich's article, "To have a car." Sara was upset because she didn't have a car on campus, and I wrote last week to extend my most sincere condolences. To the Westminster student body applicable to such a statement: Grow up and stop whining. It is amazing to believe that some of the people that attend this college actually graduated from high school. I have never seen such a large concentration of spoiled and immature people in one place. Often I ask myself: "This is college?"

I don't know where Sara comes from, but I am from a small, depressed town, in which people work for a living. Both of my parents work 12-hour shifts plus weekends, and our family income makes mansions and Volvos cost prohibitive. I suppose though, judging by the depth of Sara's intellect evident in her miserable article, she doesn't grasp concepts such as these. Please realize Sara that when you take the time to beg to daddy in the press, it sickens the majority of us. You see in the 'real world' not everyone drives a Volvo or a Jeep Cherokee; in fact it may surprise you that I have friends that cannot afford college and work at gas stations as a career choice not of their own making. By the way Sara, have you ever heard of a 'Job' or a 'School Loan'? They may not be applicable to you, but they exist in the 'real world.'

I would like to request that you stop polluting the content of our paper with your garbage, and instead look at the world around you. In the mean time I suggest that you be thankful for what you have and kindly shut up.

Sincerely,

Bill Jester

Dear Editor:

This is to address the most beloved Dr. Hopkins' letter to you in the November 10 issue. Dr. Hopkins, most honorable, your question on "is diversity a one-way street," has only one answer: yes. How is it that it is? Last semester (Spring), the campus welcomed a Methodist Minister to campus to talk about "accepting the homosexual into the Church"-approximate title. At this "Diversity Symposium", attendees had to sit at tables with an Allies member. During the evening, we had to discuss our thoughts over the questions she asked. Since sitting at a table with an Allies member, it was hard to address Christian points because of fear of offending someone sitting right next to you. Thus, the conversations at once were prone only to what "they" wanted to hear, which was evidently clear non-Christian. In addition, during the course of the evening, she made wild theories that a marriage need only love, not love between a man and woman. The wildest and most foolish claim was that [only] homosexuals have to go over seas to adopt children, which most of attendees took as the truth; whereas, many people seek overseas adoption because it is easier than here in America. With a full crowd digesting each word she said, truth or not, it was hard for an active Christian to add any Christian doctrine into the mix. Thus, diversity of thought was one-sided.

I did not attend the "Diversity Symposium" with gay-activist Leslea Newman, so I cannot comment on it. However, as you can see here, through the one symposium in which I described and the one that you saw, that this campus has a belief in damning God, the Most High, and only providing one-sided points of a two sided subject manner.

Sincerely,

Matthew Kostovny  
(The one they call Intractable.)

Dear Editor,

Prof. Hopkin's letter on homophobia (Holcad, Nov. 10, p. 11) refers to "those who look to the Bible, instead of to culture for moral guidance." However, the Christian public does not, and arguably cannot do so. The Old Testament-without the moderating influence of independent cultural standards-is an incomplete guide to moral behavior. It contains injunctions to execute drunkards (Deuteronomy 21:21), and to cut off your wife's hand should she ever touch another man's genitals-even accidentally in your defense (Deut. 25:12). Does even the New Testament constitute a self-contained code of moral guidance for the contemporary world? Paul's condemnation of divorce is absolute (1 Corinthians 7:10), and Matthew (5:32) concurs: "whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery." Yet the great majority of Christians recognize that forbidding divorce and remarriage would be an injustice. Looking to the Bible "instead of" culture for moral guidance would excludes anyone who accepts divorce and remarriage. We look, rather, to the Bible as well as to culture.

According to the Bible "homosexual practice as well as heterosexual license, is sinful." In this Prof. Hopkins is quite right. However, homosexual practice is not said to be any worse than "heterosexual license," including pre-marital sex and divorce. Tolerating the latter, one should equally tolerate the former. Furthermore, the writers of the New Testament were not in possession of contemporary medical and biological data indicating that, unlike heterosexual license, homosexuality may not be a matter of choice. The new evidence indicates that homosexuality is deserving of more tolerance than pre-marital heterosexuality etc.. Attitudes formed 2000 years ago were not necessarily based on the most accurate data.

The "non-homophobic but anti-homosexual lifestyle speaker" of Prof. Hopkin's final paragraph only merits this description if he or she is at least equally anti-pre-marital sex and anti-divorce. If anyone treats homosexuality as any more corrupt than pre-marital sex or remarriage after divorce then that is homophobia-that is to say, treating homosexuality in a prejudiced way unwarranted by either Bible or scientific data. If one is unwilling to accept that homosexuals are our neighbors, and just as deserving of love as every other, then that, indeed, is homophobia.

Yours sincerely,

Bryan Rennie

Dear Editor,

I have some advice to give to the school if the want to continue to think of ideas to milk the students of Westminster College for all the money the are worth. Currently Westminster College is in the process of figuring out a way to make student pay each time they print something out in computer labs. I have thought 5 other ways to help our school to reach its goal.

1. Twenty-five cent an hour, parking meters at all parking spots.( twenty dollar parking pass still included at beginning of the year)
2. Ten dollar cover charge to get into library. (Also 5 dollars for each book rented from library.)
3. Charge students for on-campus phone calls.
4. Make students pay for each email they send off campus.
5. Raise tuition each year and give lame excuse for it.(Wait, they already do this one.)

I really can't wait till I graduate and get a phone call from Westminster wondering if I would be willing to make a donation in the future. Wonder what I am going to say when they ask?

Sincerely,

Luke Schuster

To the Editor,

I have heard the new debate about possibly forcing the students to pay for paper in the computer labs. I have also heard this maybe just a rumor and that we will only have to pay for colored printouts. I have also heard that if this does happen it will be enforced next semester. I am not going to even begin to waste my time or even BEGIN to get into discussion of how ridiculous and unreasonable this new rule would be. My question is, what is true and when, if this is true, is this supposed to take effect?

Sincerely,

Anna Tielsch



# Cram Jam

Study Break

Monday, Dec. 11

9 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Duff Dining Room

For ALL students

Breakfast food, served by  
business office staff, hosted  
by President and Mrs. Williamson



# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Stamper &  
STALEY

## Beth Staley

For those of you who grew up with *Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas*, get ready to feel like a kid again. This 2000 movie version takes all the magic and humor of the original story and animated production, and gives you more. Do you want to know why the Grinch was really so mean?

Assuming the role of ultimate meanness is Jim Carrey as the Grinch. Carrey had quite a way with animals in *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective*. In *Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas*, he is reunited with the pet world via pet dog, Max-the Grinch's only companion. However, Carrey looks as much like an animal as Max; Carrey's costume and make-up add to his naturally crazy facial expressions and maniacal gestures.

However, in order to add up to the animated Grinch, Carrey needed to take this role to the extreme, and he did. While he enchants young viewers, he targets the young adult and adult audiences with brilliant puns against commercialism. These puns help to enhance the movie's theme that Christmas is about more than commercialism.

Delivering this message to the Grinch and the audience is little Cindy Lou Who played by Suzanne Krull. Cindy questions the hustle and bustle behind the holiday tradition of gift giving. She also becomes curious about the immense dread that Whoville residents have for the Grinch. In order to prove to herself that Christmas is about more than just presents, she undertakes to make the Grinch welcome in Whoville for the holiday. Then she'll be sure that Christmas also celebrates the joy of being together.

Krull's innocent wide-eyed, optimistic screen-presence is a warming touch to this Christmas special. She exudes the hope and excitement of every child during Christmas; her performance compels audience members to remember the joy of being young.

Even the Grinch takes a stroll down memory lane. This movie creatively unmask the Grinch's childhood and the origins of his cruelty. At the height of his cruelty, the Grinch does in fact steal Christmas.

Director Ron Howard succeeds in making this Christmas theft memorable. This story is a classic, and the cast and crew of this year's *Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas* help to secure the Grinch's legacy. As soon as this semester ends, get into the Christmas mood: bake cookies, look for Christmas light displays, play in the snow, listen to Christmas music, and watch all the good old classic Christmas movies (did you know that Bing Crosby actually calls Danny Kaye a "weirdsmobile" in *White Christmas*?), and then top off your season preparations by seeing the Grinch! This movie is fresh-it's GREEN (Grinch complexion and all)-enjoy!

## Joseph Stamper

This is the part of the review were I give a synopsis of the movie in case anyone who reads this column grew up in a remote part of the world absent of television and children's books. The screenplay writer Jeffery Price and director Ron Howard did however, expand Theodor Seuss

Giesel's (Dr. Seuss) version of the Holiday Classic to better fit the big screen.

Located on a snowflake somewhere in the world there is a town called Whoville, where Christmas is the biggest thrill. Every Who in Whoville loves the Christmas Season except one, and that is how the story had begun. The Grinch, played skillfully by Jim Carrey, is a lonesome soul who is green and quite hairy. Toward the Whos the Grinch was mean and vicious, but most of all he ostracized Christmas. The Who's in Whoville disliked him too, all except one Who named Cindy Lou. Cindy Lou (Taylor Momsen) said it was wrong to judge a fellow, simply because his Season Spirit is mellow. So she invited him down from his mountain hideaway to the Who Christmas celebration, but the Grinch didn't want any part of this so called "Who-bration." Reluctantly down from that mountain he came, but the mayor of the Whos still cursed his name. The Grinch could sense Mayor May Who's tone of hate, and decided that stealing Christmas was the way to retaliate.

And when it was over what did the movie audience see, but another Hollywood remake that didn't really impress me.

## Stamper's Four-Corner Breakdown

### Date Movie-7

This movie is perfect for those couples with young children looking for a family outing. Player's Tip: If you are seriously interested in someone who has children, but you are apprehensive about meeting them, score some points by inviting them to see the *Grinch*. There is no better time than the present to test the waters and see if you can handle dating a single parent.

### Special FX-8

Elaborate sets filled with bright Christmas colors are sure to lift the spirit and the physical talent of



Carrey is half the fun of the film.

### Star Power-7

The big screen version of the *Grinch* was a role clearly tailored for an actor of Jim Carrey's talent and ability. Anthony Hopkins narration gives the film a classic feel. Christine Baranski gives a comical performance as the Grinch's love interest Martha May Whovier. Baranski has played in countless box office flops including *Bowfinger* (1999) and *Bulworth* (1998). Taylor Momsen proved she has what it takes to star in a big budget Hollywood film in her innocent and adorable role as Cindy Lou Who.

### Plot-6

The added dimensions to the plot made the movie too long. The quantity takes away from the quality. The mindless Christmas drivel that excites 6 year-olds nearly put this 21-year-old to sleep.

### Overall- Worth Seeing if you are desperate for a Christmas Movie

This movie is clearly less than the sum of its parts. You have big name actors, a classic story, and it's Christmas time; yet Carrey could not carry the movie for adults. I grew up on the Grinch and I didn't find myself enjoying the movie. It is not a laugh out loud comedy, as the trailers would have you believe. This movie is really just for children and parents.

## Holiday happenings in and around the Pittsburgh area

### CITYWIDE

**OAKLAND:** The First Baptist Church of Pittsburgh presents its benefit musical concert at 3 p.m. this afternoon featuring Robert Clark, Gail Ross and Mark Pichowicz at the church at 159 N. Bellefield Ave. The program benefits the Organ Fund. For information, call 412-621-0500 or 412-621-0501.

**OAKLAND/SQUIRREL HILL/ SHADYSIDE:** Chatham Baroque Holiday Candlelight Concert, 2:30 p.m. today, Laughlin Music Center, Chatham College. For tickets, call Proarts at 412-394-3353.

**OAKLAND:** The Heinz Chapel Choir performs in concert at 8 p.m. Saturday in Heinz Memorial Chapel under the directions of John Goldsmith. Call 412-624-4126.

**HILL DISTRICT:** The Greater Pittsburgh Business and Professional Women's Club sponsors its 3rd Holiday Shopping Spree on Saturday. The trip to Reyer's Shoe Store, Winner Dress Shop and Grove City Shops costs \$30 and leaves the Hill House at 8 a.m. For tickets, call Barbara at 412-323-9570 or Marjorie at 412-422-5647.

**DOWNTOWN:** The First Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh holds a holiday concert titled "Sing in the Season of Joy" at 4 p.m. today at the church. Also, the fifth annual

Christmas concert with sounds of Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" and Rutter's "Gloria!" will be at 4 p.m. next Sunday. The church is at 320 Sixth Ave., Downtown. For information, call the church at 412-471-3436.

### EAST

**EDGEWOOD:** The Association of University People, a singles organization, holds its annual Holiday Dinner/Dance Dec. 12 at the Edgewood Country Club. Reservation deadline is Saturday. Reservations cannot be made by phone, only by sending a check for \$30 to AUP, P.O. Box 97826, Pittsburgh 15227. Call the AUP Hotline for other information and menu choices at 412-734-8445.

**NATRONA HEIGHTS:** Susan Myford performs a program of Christmas music for the Allegheny Valley Association of Churches Food Bank at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Natrona Heights Presbyterian Church, Broadview Boulevard. The public is asked to bring a nonperishable food item or to make a donation to the food bank.

**MONROEVILLE:** CCAC Boyce Campus Adult Re-Entry and Women's Center host "Tis the Season," a chance to share holiday traditions and bring a treat to enjoy along with music, raffles and entertainment from noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday at the center in Room S453, Level 4. The event is open to the

public. For reservations and information, call 724-325-6825 or 412-371-8651, EXT 6825.

### NORTH

**FRANKLIN PARK:** The Pittsburgh Concert Chorale and the River City Brass Band perform "A Joyful Noise" at 8 p.m. Friday and Dec. 15 at Orchard Hill Church, 2551 Brandt School Road. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$5 for those 18 and younger. Call 412-635-7654.

**RICHLAND:** Share your holiday spirit by helping to trim the Northern Tier Library's Christmas tree from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the library, 4015 Dickey Road. Children 4 to 10 are invited to enjoy crafts, entertainment and refreshments. Call 724-449-2665 to register.

**HAMPTON:** Join Coventry Square Shopping Center, Route 8, and Hampton Parks and Recreation for the lighting of the center's 30-foot Christmas tree at 7 p.m. Thursday. A sing-along, a Santa parade and free refreshments will be offered. Call Katherine at 412-487-5900.

**ZELIENOPLE/HARMONY:** Zelenople/Harmony Chamber of Commerce invites members and guests to a

see **CALENDAR** page 18



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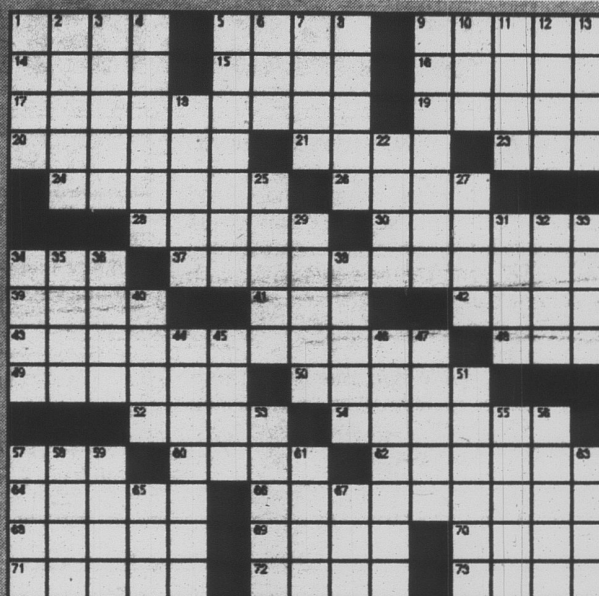
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57- Disposed  
60- Jump lightly  
62- Resembling a miter  
64- Reluctant  
66- Mournful  
68- Confused hand  
69- Confined  
70- Level  
71- Horse  
72- Off  
73- Promontory

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- 1- Catalog

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- 3- Signet  
4- Grassy plains of Argentina  
5- Food canning factory  
6- Statute  
7- Obstacle  
8- Informs  
9- Galvanic  
10- Wrath  
11- Metal  
12- Wash  
13- Capital of Yemen  
18- Planet  
22- Bone of the forearm  
25- Indian tent  
27- Second letter of the Greek alphabet  
29- Water holes  
31- Motion picture  
32- Wicked  
33- Exchange for money  
34- Worn by women in India  
35- Republic in SW Asia  
36- 9th letter of the Hebrew alphabet  
38- Angered  
40- Fraud  
44- Lacinate  
45- Show disgust or strong dislike  
46- Recluse  
47- Powder from castor  
51- Make fat  
53- Hippopotamus  
55- Compel  
56- Roof overhang  
57- Donations to the poor  
58- One who writes poetry  
59- Story  
61- Plebeian  
63- Optical device  
65- Golfers mound  
67- Black bird



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## HOROSCOPES

**ARIES**

You have abundant energy that must be put to good use. The more involved you become in helping others, the more you will receive in return.

**TAURUS**

You will tend to be restless, so make plans for upcoming events. Don't feel guilty, put others demands on hold and take care of your own needs first. Visiting friends will bring you great satisfaction.

**GEMINI**

Lending money to a friend this week will end up in a disaster. Investments may not be in your best interests, either. Someone around you may try to take advantage of you.

**CANCER**

Try not to start any more arguments. You may find yourself sitting all alone if you don't control your emotional outbursts. You will have a tendency to overindulge. Try your best to curb your nasty habits.

**LEO**

Your colorful story-telling will bring you popularity, however it may hurt someone's feelings. Be sensitive but express yourself creatively.

**VIRGO**

Try to be more understanding, not judgmental, in emotional situations. Use your quick wit to encourage deeper thinking. You mustn't take advantage of the privileges you've been given.

**LIBRA**

Someone you least expect has been watching you. Don't hesitate to approach him or her. You will have no problem influencing others when it comes to your beliefs and opinions.

**SCORPIO**

You can really express yourself well when dealing with those close to your heart. You have a knack for taking on too much and then getting frazzled trying to do it all yourself.

**SAGITTARIUS**

You won't be afraid to test the waters and will jump into unknown territory with gusto. Curb your eating habits and start getting yourself in shape instead. Mental & physical regime will open your horizons.

**CAPRICORN**

If you aren't in a relationship right now, this is a perfect time to get out and meet some new people. You'll be bright, outgoing and eager to get things done.

**AQUARIUS**

You will excel if you stay focused. Make personal changes. Shopping sprees will be a learning experience.

**PISCES**

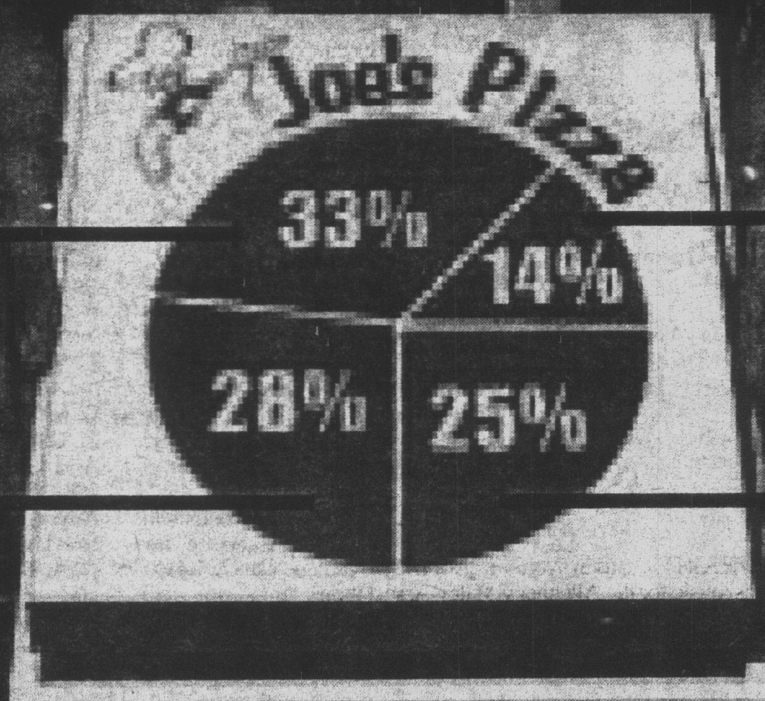
Exhaustion is evident unless you look into a relaxing break. A vacation that allows you to sit back and contemplate your future plans would be great, but you may not have the time to spare.

# What college students earn

## Monthly income from jobs

Don't have  
a job

\$400 or  
over



Less than  
\$200

\$200 - \$399



# CLASSIFIEDS

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NINE CHILDREN** are left without Christmas gift sponsors on the Westminster College Support Staff list of children from the Mercer County Children's Aid Society. Anyone, including faculty and administrators, interested in participating is encouraged to call Kay Allison at EXT. 7330 for a name of a child in need. Deadline for selecting, wrapping and delivering the gift to McGill Library is Dec. 18.

**THETA CHI** is sponsoring an American Red Cross Christmas Wreath drive. These 24-inch wreaths of Blue Berried Juniper and Incensed Cedar on a Noble Fir background are decorated with Ponderosa Pine Cones and a red velvet bow. The price is \$20 for each wreath which must be ordered before Dec. 15. To order fax a request to (724) 642-7889.

**SCRAWL**, the Westminster literary magazine, is accepting submissions until Monday, Dec. 11. Please mail your poem, short story, or photo to campus box 159.

## FOR RENT/SALE

**BOOKS FOR SALE:** Quantitative Reasoning (Math 110) and Handbook of Biology Investigation (Bio. 110). For more information, call EXT. 6937.

## WANTED

**SKY TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES** an affiliate of Sky Financial Corp., has immediate openings in the downtown New Castle Operations Center. Applicants should be from the local area so they can work year-end. The position requires 20 hours per week and provides telephone support responses to external customer and internal staff inquiries regarding all banking products and accounts. Must have excellent communication skills and recent experience in telephone customer service. Extensive training onset. Send resume and cover letter to: Sky Bank, Human Resources Dept. NCO, P.O. Box 1488, New Castle, PA 16103-1488. Deadline: Dec. 15.

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Christmas social from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at The Inn on Grandview, 310 E. Grandview Ave. Cost is \$6. Enjoy holiday music and food while networking. For reservations, call 724-452-5232 by Tuesday.

**MARS/CRANBERRY/FRANKLIN:** The United Way of Butler County is hosting its photos and storytime with Santa event at three locations: from 5 to 7 p.m. tomorrow at Mars Public Library, 107 Grand Ave.; from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday at Cranberry Public Library, 2525 Rochester Road, Suite 300; and from 10 a.m. - noon Saturday at Prospect Public Library, 357 Main St. Call 724-285-2262 for more information.

**SHALER:** Visit Shaler North Hills Library, 1822 Mount Royal Blvd., during its Gingerbread Homes for the Holidays tour from noon to 3:30 p.m. Saturday. Vote for your favorite gingerbread house and Harry Potter Christmas Ornaments. Call 412-486-0211.

**SOUTH ELIZABETH TOWNSHIP:** The Elizabeth Forward Area Community Chorus presents its Heaven and Nature Sing Christmas concert at 3 p.m. today in Elizabeth Forward High School auditorium, Weigles Hill Road and Route 48. Advance tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens and students. Call 412-751-0526.

**BETHEL PARK:** The municipality is taking nominations for its annual Holiday Lighting and Decoration Contest until Dec. 8. To nominate a lighting display, send a note to Mayor Clifford Morton, 5100 W. Library Ave., Bethel Park 15102.

**BRENTWOOD:** Brentwood Library, 3501 Brownsville Road, is selling tickets for the Christmas Revisited holiday house tour from noon to 4 p.m. today. Tickets cost \$12 on event day.

**ELIZABETH:** Penn View Art Center, 999 Rock Run Road, will hold its fall semester Arts and Crafts Exhibit and Christmas Sale from 2 - 4 and 6 - 8 p.m. today and tomorrow.

**AREAWIDE:** The River City Brass Band will perform its Family Holidays concert at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Upper St. Clair Theater; at 8 p.m. Saturday in Carnegie Music Hall, Oakland; and at 3 p.m. next Sunday in Baldwin High School, Whitehall. For reservations, call (800) 292-7222.

**PETERS:** Peters Creek Historical Society will present "A Civil War Era Christmas" demonstration and exhibit from 1 to 6 p.m. today at The Enoch Wright House, 815 Venitia Road (a half-mile west of Finleyville). Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and younger.

**FINLEYVILLE:** Trax Farms will host breakfast and lunch with Santa at 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. today, Saturday, next Sunday and Dec. 16, 17, 23 and 24. Tickets cost \$6 per child and can be purchased in advance at the customer service desk. Call 412-835-3246.

**WHITE OAK:** Wesley United Methodist Church will accept phone orders for cheese tarts and gingerbread from 8 a.m. to noon Wednesday only. Call 412-672-5960. Pickup will be from 8 a.m. to noon Dec. 16 at the church, Prescott and Broadway streets.

**CONNELLSVILLE:** A Holiday Craft Show takes place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in Solid Rock Church, 712 E. Crawford Ave. The event features holiday crafts, scented candles, wood crafts, ceramics, and a variety of baked goods, homemade soup, sandwiches and other items. Crafters and sellers welcome. Rate for a table is \$10 or two tables for \$15. For reservations and information, call 724-626-8680.

**MONONGAHELA:** For the 11th consecutive year, members of First Baptist Church, 601 W. Main St., present An Evening in Ol' Bethlehem, a re-enactment of life at the time of Christ's birth. Visitors are treated to musical entertainment, a guided tour of shops and vendors, and a visit to a living Nativity display. The event is 6 to 9 p.m. today, Saturday and next Sunday. More than 300 volunteers are to participate. Call the church at 724-258-7750 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. weekdays.

**CALIFORNIA:** Monongahela Valley Hospital's Healthy Directions, 310 Third St., will sponsor "Coping with the Holidays" at 1 p.m. tomorrow. Call 724-938-7266. Also, a program titled "Fun Without Alcohol" will be at 1 p.m. Thursday. The program will feature ideas on how to make nonalcoholic beverages. Call 724-938-7266.

**CALIFORNIA:** California University of Pennsylvania will present "The Nutcracker" at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 2 p.m. next Sunday in Steele Auditorium. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors and children younger than 12. Call 724-938-5943.

**PETERS:** The township will sponsor the annual tree-lighting ceremony at 6 tonight. Festivities will be at the municipal parking lot and will include

Christmas caroling by the McMurray Elementary School choir, decorating the tree with ornaments and the official lighting of the tree. Families then may go to the community room for refreshments and a visit from Santa. Donations to Toys for Tots may be dropped off at Peters Township Library. New unwrapped gifts for children from infancy to 14 may be placed in the collection boxes through Dec. 20.

Also, at 2 p.m. today, the Community Room will be transformed into Frosty's Funhouse. Frosty and friends will help children make crafts, including decorative bags and picture frames. Materials will be provided, and children may take home what they make. Call 724-942-5000.

**WASHINGTON:** The Washington Area Humane Society will hold its annual Christmas party for orphaned animals 12 to 5 p.m. today. Pets and children can have their photos taken with Santa for \$5. Items will be available for purchase: key chains, mugs, treats and other animal related items. Please bring a gift for the orphaned dogs and cats (toys should be of washable material). 724-222-7387.

**CHARTIERS:** Take a trolley ride with Santa at The Pennsylvania Trolley Museum, 1 Museum Road, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. today, Saturday and next Sunday. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens and \$4 for children 2-15. Call 724-228-9256.

**WASHINGTON:** Washington and Jefferson College presents Handel's "Messiah" at 3 p.m. today. Also, members of the Washington County Community Choir will perform the "Hallelujah Chorus" with the Trinity High School Symphony at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. Both performances will be in the Olin Fine Arts Center. Call 724-223-6546.

**CALIFORNIA:** Center in the Woods will hold a candlelight memorial service for deceased loved ones called "A Christmas Memory" at 6 p.m. Friday. Participants will receive a dove ornament to be placed on the Christmas tree during the service and a white rose to take home. So doves and flowers can be ordered, call ahead with your name, 724-938-3554.

**WEST CARNEGIE:** The Amateur Christian Theater Group of Carnegie United Methodist

Church, 412 Washington Ave., presents Second Chance Christmas. Performances are at 3 p.m. today. Dinner theater tickets are \$20. Reservations are available at 412-279-4506.

**NEW BRIGHTON:** "Christmas in Bloom," an annual display, can be seen during regular gallery hours Friday through Dec. 16 at the Merrick Art Gallery, 1100 Fifth Ave. Also, a Christmas store will be from 5 - 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 1 - 4 p.m. next Sunday. Also, the Beaver Valley Writer's Guild will present its annual Christmas stories from 1 to 4 p.m. next Sunday. Local singer Jim Williams will premiere his Christmas CD at 2:30 p.m. in the main gallery. For information, call 724-846-1130.

**NEW BRIGHTON:** R-Act Theater Productions will present the Annual Christmas Radio Show at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday at Merrick Art Gallery, 1100 Fifth Ave. Tickets for "A Christmas Carol" will be \$7 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens, students, Merrick or R-Act members. A reception follows the production.

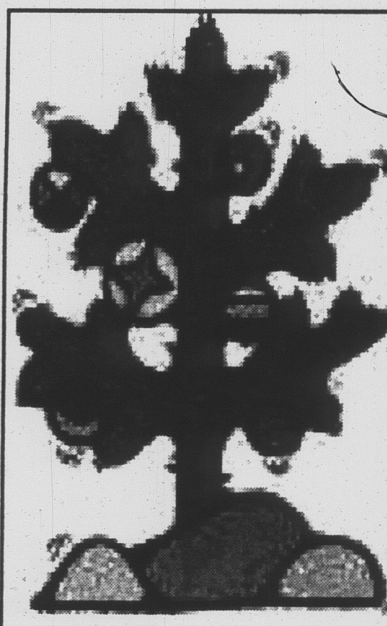
**CARNEGIE:** The "Nutcracker" will be presented at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. next Sunday by the Carnegie Performing Arts Center in the Andrew Carnegie Music Hall, 300 Beechwood Ave. Tickets are \$7 at the door. Call 412-279-8887.

**MOON:** Breakfast with Santa will be at 10 a.m. Saturday and next Sunday in Robin Hill Center, 949 Thorn Run Road. It includes photos with Santa, games, caroling and gifts. Costs are \$9 per child and \$6 per adult. Reservations are necessary by calling 412-264-2630.

**SEWICKLEY:** The annual Holiday Mart at Sweetwater Center for the Arts, 200 Broad St., is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily through next Sunday. The mart will stay open until 9 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday. Admission is \$2 for adults. Children may shop in their own gallery. Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily for \$7.50.

**MOON:** The annual Holiday Celebration & Gift Mart, sponsored by the Pittsburgh Area Chamber of Commerce, will be from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott. The business mixer offers a Holiday Treasure Chest, a silent auction, complimentary hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar and holiday shopping. Event admission for members is \$15, prepaid. It is \$20 at the door for members and others. For reservations, call 412-264-6270.

**CENTER:** The annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Show to benefit the Quigley Hockey Association continues from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today in the dome at Community College of Beaver County, 1 Campus Drive.





## Calendar of Events

### FRIDAY 8

10:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Panhel Sorority Recruiter Registration — TUB Grille  
 11:40 a.m. Chapel  
 4:30 p.m. Holy Day Mass: Feast of Immaculate Conception - Chapel  
 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Wooster Tournament  
 7:00 p.m. Planetarium Show: "Tis the Season" — HSC 116  
 10:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. JT's Café - Down Under

### SATURDAY 9

10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Campus Club Children's Christmas Party - TUB Lounge  
 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Wooster Tournament  
 3:00 p.m. Men's Basketball vs. Wooster (H)  
 7:00 p.m. Mass — Chapel  
 7:00 p.m. Planetarium Show: "Tis the Season" — HSC 116  
 7:30 p.m. Rotaract High School Dance — TUB Lounge

### SUNDAY 10

3:45 p.m. Family Vespers Reception and Dinner - Russell Dining Room  
 6:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon Meeting - Sig Ep House  
 6:00 p.m. Theta Chi Meeting - Theta Chi House  
 6:15 p.m. IFC Meeting — Location TBA  
 7:00 p.m. Christmas Vespers - Orr Auditorium  
 8:00 p.m. Alpha Phi Omega Meeting - PH 230  
 9:00 p.m. Movie - Down Under  
 Phi Mu Christmas Vespers Parents' Reception

### MONDAY 11

CLASSES END  
 LLP Block II Classes End This Week  
 11:40 a.m. Chapel  
 5:30 p.m. Panhel Meeting - TUB A/B  
 6:00 p.m. Phi Mu Meeting - PH 112/113  
 6:30 p.m. Kappa Delta Meeting - TUB A/B  
 6:30 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta Meeting - Phillips Lecture Hall  
 6:30 p.m. Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting - CFH 116

7:00 p.m. Sigma Kappa Meeting - PH 311/312  
 7:00 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Wheeling Jesuit  
 7:30 p.m. Sacrament of Penance — Chapel  
 9:00 p.m. Cram Jam - Duff Dining Hall (Breakfast Food Served)  
 9:15 p.m. Lambda Sigma Meeting — TUB A/B

### TUESDAY 12

READING DAY  
 Walton-Mayne Open 24 Hours  
 Noon to 4:00 p.m. Stress Reduction - Student Health Center  
 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Panhel Cookies for Scholars - TUB Lounge  
 8:00 p.m. Celebrity Series: Lee Greenwood, "A Tennessee Christmas" - Orr Auditorium

### WEDNESDAY 13

FINAL EXAMS  
 Walton-Mayne Open 24 Hours  
 4:30 p.m. President's Community Open House - Orr Lobby

### THURSDAY 14

FINAL EXAMS  
 Walton-Mayne Open 24 Hours  
 2:00 p.m. Curriculum Development Committee Meeting — TUB A/B  
 4:30 p.m. President's Faculty, Staff, and Retirees Open House - Orr Lobby

### FRIDAY 15

FINAL EXAMS  
 11:00 p.m. TUB Grille Closes for Break  
 Walton-Mayne Open 24 Hours

### SATURDAY 16

FINAL EXAMS  
 Last Meal Before Break (Board Plan): LUNCH  
 6:00 p.m. RESIDENCE HALLS CLOSE FOR CHRISTMAS VACATION  
 10:00 p.m. Walton-Mayne Closes

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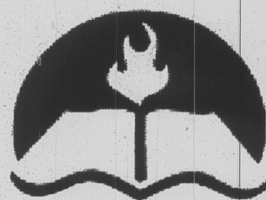
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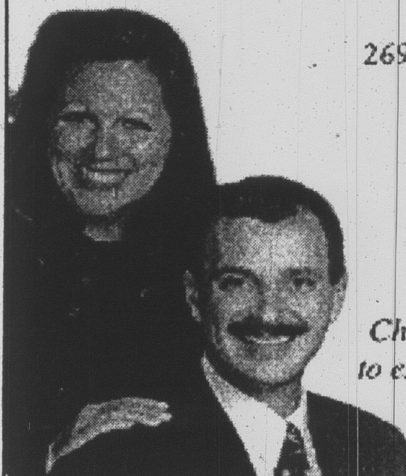
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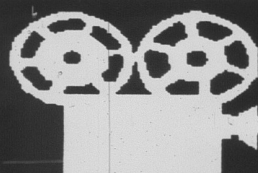


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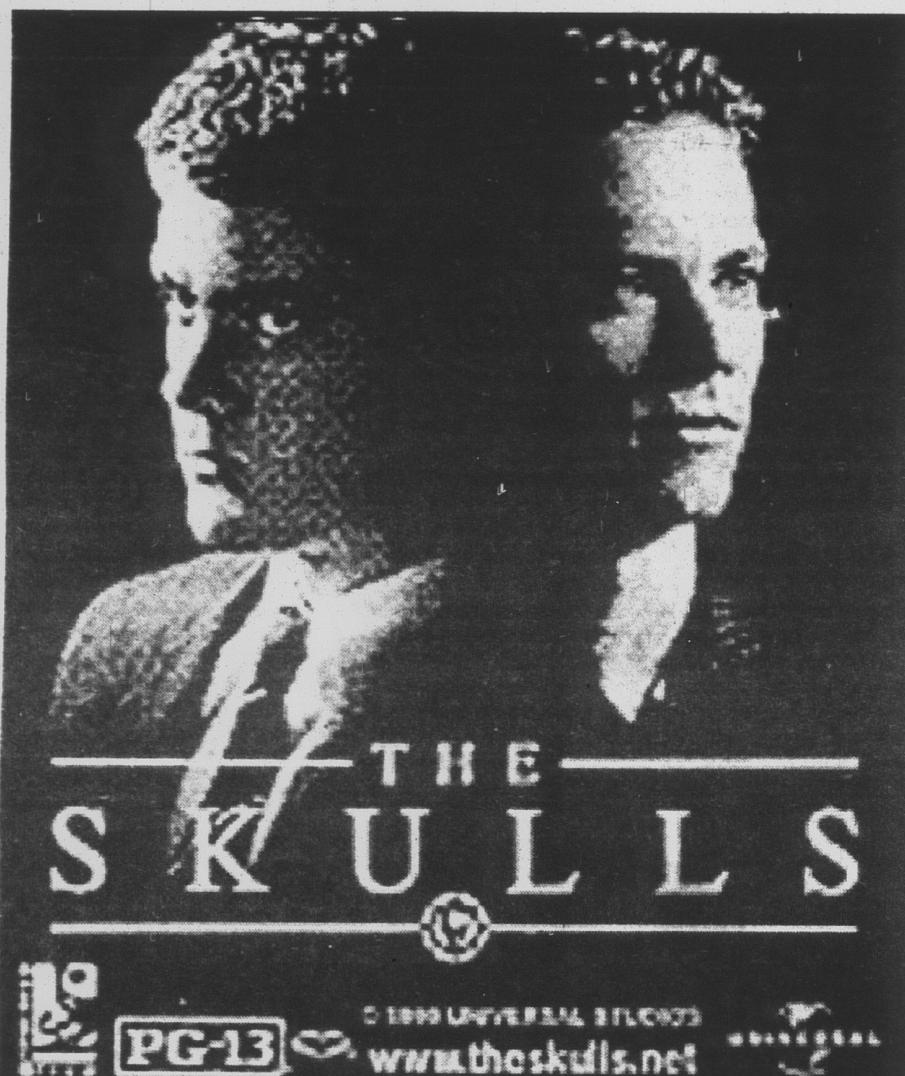
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## At the Down Under



**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9 AT 9:00 P.M.**  
**AND**  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 AT 9:00 P.M.**

## Upcoming Events

Jan. 27 -- **JT's Cafe** (JT's kicks off on Saturday, only one, for the Spring.)

Feb. 16 -- **Mardi Gras with The Clarks**, special guest, **Grapevine**

Feb. 17 -- **Comic Gary Gulman**

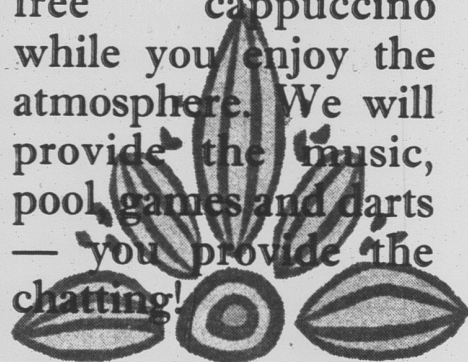
April 6-8 -- **Lil Sib's Weekend**

April 7 -- **Comic Michael Dean Ester**

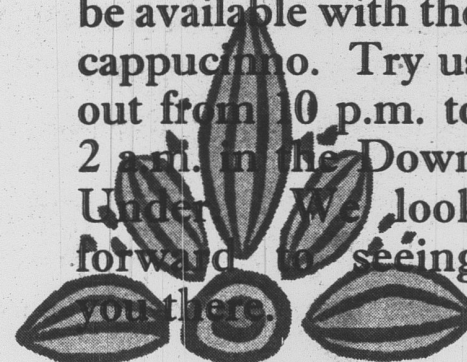
We have made offers on 3 more comedians but no contracts have been sent, watch the Holcad for updates or to find out more, visit the CPC Home page at [www.westminster.edu/Student/Orgs/CPC/CPC.html](http://www.westminster.edu/Student/Orgs/CPC/CPC.html)

## JT's Cafe

Come join us for free cappuccino while you enjoy the atmosphere. We will provide the music, pool games and darts — you provide the chatting!



Baked goods will be available with the cappuccino. Try us out from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. in the Down Under. We look forward to seeing you there.



Friday, December 8 from 10:00 p.m. til 2:00 a.m.